



NEWSLETTER

Funtastic Gems

Outside School Hours Care



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Term 1 Week 4

Friday 23rd February, 2018

Dear Parents,

This week Funtastic Gems have introduced a new means of communication through FlexiBuzz app. An email was sent to all parents regarding the procedure of installing and using the app. By using FlexiBuzz we hope to create a more effective way for everyone to stay connected.

In this newsletter you will be able to be notified of important dates, view the upcoming program for the following week and our reflection of how the week unfold with photo gallery.

The April Vacation Care is now available. Please check our very exciting program that we have installed for the children. This holidays will be filled with many activities daily that will keep the children engaged and entertained for a long time.

I would like to also want to notify parents that we have multi-sports organized for Wednesdays and Soccer for Thursdays. This two additional program is all included within the fees and no extra charges applies. However, to have your children participate I will need a consent form to be filled out so if you are interested to having your child participate please ensure to see me.

Managing Director

Diana Huynh

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Important Dates

- ✚ Friday 23rd February 2018
 - April vacation available and ready to book on Funtastic Gems website
- ✚ Tuesday 3rd April 2018
 - Indigenous Workshop 3:30-5pm
- ✚ Tuesday 10th April 2018
 - RSPCA Visit

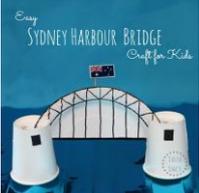


Rewarded to Jett H from year 5



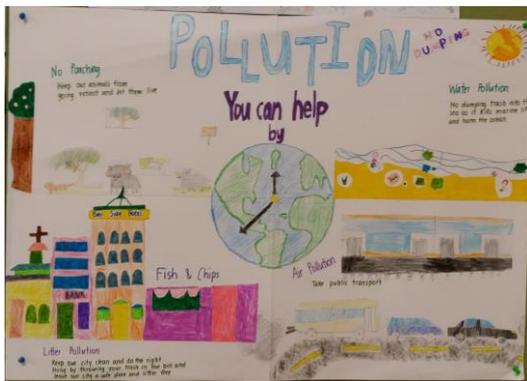
Jett was very helpful with cleaning up and preparing activities. He also helped the kindergartens during the activity.

Week 5 Program Preview

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Homework Club  3:30PM-4:30PM	Homework Club  3:30PM-4:40PM	Multi-Sports Kindy to Year 2 4PM – 4:30PM Year 3 to Year 6 4:30PM – 5PM	Soccer Kindy to Year 2 4PM – 4:30PM Year 3 to Year 6 4:30PM – 5PM	Sustainability Sponge Painted Butterfly 
Craft 3D Hot Air Balloon 	Cooking Healthy Coconut Tart 	Craft Animal Mask 	Science How Plant Absorb Water 	Cooking Corn Flake Cupcake 
Sustainability Sydney Harbour Bridge 		Craft Chinese Lanterns 	Craft Paper Straw Tulip 	

Julie's Review of The Week

Monday



Julie had the majority of kindergartens and year 1s making Koala craft. It was the first individual activity for the kindergartens. Julie wanted to see their abilities, skills and confidence during the activity. Some of the children cut out the templates by themselves. They displayed concentration and persistence, which was very impressive. Everyone in the group enjoyed colouring the Koala and listened to Julie throughout the activity. Diana's group made a Sustainability mural. The group showed great teamwork and cooperation.

Tuesday



Julie's group made Healthy Oat Cookies. Since we promote healthy eating at the centre, Julie decided to teach the children how to make healthy desserts that can replace junk food such as chocolate cookies or chips. The cookies were made of oats, coconut oil and cranberries. The children were wondering what it would taste like.

They had to roll it into a ball but it was bit challenging for them to make it firm. Overall, they enjoyed the activity a lot and couldn't wait to eat it.

Wednesday



Julie's group did a science experiment 'Sink or Float'. Since the majority of children participated in the sport incursion, Julie planned a simple and quick activity. She asked the children in the group if a certain object would sink or float in the water. She prepared a pair of scissors, a plastic cup and a wooden toy for the experiment. The children took a guess and then had an opportunity to place them in the water to see what would happen. They were also asked to find any objects that they would like to try. Everyone in the group was very excited about the experiment. Charissa's group made avocado, banana and apple sauce muffins. All of the children had the opportunity to put all the ingredients together and mix it all up. The group displayed enthusiasm and cooperation throughout this activity. They loved the way all the muffins turned out.

Thursday



Julie's group made a crown with paper plates. Julie had cut out the paper plates into a crown so the children could decorate them to create their own crowns. The children drew all different shapes and patterns on their crowns, which looked awesome. Everyone enjoyed the activity a lot and they were very excited to wear the crowns that they made. It was a great opportunity to see their creativity and imagination. Charissa's group made puffy paintwork using flour, food colouring, salt and warm water. Before this activity, Charissa explained to the children that the paint will turn out puffy and they were curious and excited to see how it would turn out. They all had a bowl of paint for each table and they had to share. Throughout this activity, the children displayed cooperation and patience.

Friday



Julie's group did a Sustainability activity creating Nature Initials. Before the activity, Julie took out some children outside to collect leaves and flowers. She wrote initials for the children who were participating so they could cut out and stick the natures on their initials. Some children made shapes with the leaves to put on their initials. Overall, the activity went very well and the children could learn how we resource materials from nature. Charissa's group did a flower pot craft using pipe cleaners, hot glue gun, small pot, buttons and paddle pop sticks. While Charissa was preparing she gave directions to the older ones to set the tables up and organise the materials for each children. This activity had majority of the younger ones so Charissa and her helper helped them and explained the steps carefully. The children loved this activity and how easy it is to make at home.