

SUMMER TERM 2016

The British Preparatory School

PRE-SCHOOL 2I

Pre-School have been very busy during the spring term. Our first topic 'Under the Sea' involved lots of craftwork, listening to sea life stories and learning new songs. We also learned to recognise lots of different sea creatures. Our classroom boards were full of turtles, sharks, crabs, starfish, seahorses and lobsters.



We then moved onto our 'Wild Animals' topic and we learned to recognise all the different animals and the sounds they make. We made tigers, elephants, monkeys and snakes. We also made a 'Down in the Jungle' book and learned the 'Down in the Jungle' song.



Thank you to all the parents who attended our end of term sing-a-long which included songs relating to our topic. The children did a great job and sang wonderfully.



Our next topic after the Easter break was 'Insects and Bugs.' The children enjoyed identifying all the different insects. We even managed to observe grasshoppers and praying mantis in our playground. The children enjoyed making ladybirds, spiders, butterflies, bees and caterpillars. We have been learning lots of new songs which we will incorporate into our end of year sing-a-long. We listened to lots of different stories including 'The Lazy Ladybird', 'The Caterpillar Who Wanted to Fly', 'There Was An Old Lady Who Swallowed a Fly', 'Squash the Spider' and 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar'.



The latter story led us into a topic of fruits and vegetables. The children coloured, finger painted and collaged various fruits and vegetables. We also learned some fruit and vegetable songs including 'Five Little Peas in a Peapod Pressed', which the children love, especially when the pod pops!



We have been using scissors to improve our cutting skills and have been introduced to six piece puzzles.



Our last topic this year will be 'Parts of the Body' where we will be taking part in lots of music and movement activities using different body parts. Our songs will include 'Head, Shoulders, Knees and Toes' and games such as 'Simon Says.' Our craft work will include making faces, hand prints and foot prints.



Alongside our topic work we continue to work on our pencil control, colouring and trying to stay within the lines. We also continue to reinforce colours, shapes, numbers and counting skills in group activities and at 'circle time'. Many children are now able to recognise their names and some even recognise their friends' names.



It has been a very busy year and we are all delighted to be part of the children's great progress this year.

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