



Pearlbank Montessori Kindergarten

March 2016 Newsletter

Kindergarten 1 Happenings

Theme: I am Special

Recognising the importance of teaching young children the power of positive thinking and the importance of having self-confidence, we decided to explore the theme - 'I am Special' with our K1 children for this term. Through a variety of activities and books, we hope to help our little ones develop positive self-esteem.



Drawing Me.

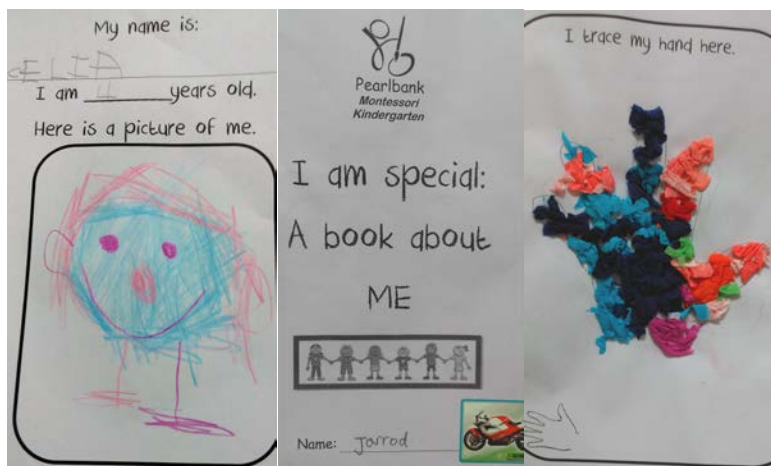


Art and Craft session.



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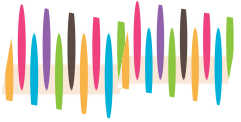
Lessons and Activities



We also engaged them to make a fun snack activity - making a "ME" Cracker Face with digestive biscuits, strawberry jam and raisins.



To get them to know themselves and to know each other better, we get the children to create a special book called "I am Special" They read it out to their friends in class.



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Graphing Names

Another book which we introduced to the children for this theme is *Chrysanthemum* by Kevin Henkes. Based on the story of a small mouse who loves her unique name, we hope to get our children to know that their name is special and we should appreciate and respect everyone's name. We also took the opportunity to motivate them to practise recognizing and writing their name.

The children had a fun time making a texture name art door hanger and doing a name graph which they enjoyed counting, comparing, contrasting, and graphing the number of letters in their names.

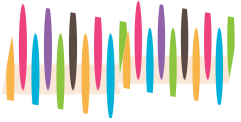


Chinese

K1 认识身体部位名称，我及我的家。通过活动身体总动员，游戏，手工，儿歌，故事看图说话来巩固及培养幼儿的认知能力。教幼儿掌握看懂图画书的基本技能，并初步辨认自己的名字和常见字。

Children learn the Chinese language through stories, songs, rhymes, craft activities, and games.





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Reading Programme



Montessori Time



The K1 children have been working on building and reading 3 letter phonic words. Some have moved on to building and reading phonetic words with initial and final double blends.

For Math, the focus has been on addition up to 10 using a variety of materials like the short head stairs and addition work cards.

A few of the children have taken interest in the clock and have been learning time by the hour and half hour.

