





MONTHLY NEWSLETTER - SEPTEMBER 2020



PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents,

September came in with renewed hope and a reinforced belief that we will always march forward with our learning despite many odds. It was indeed a great pleasure to have our children back on our virtual and physical campus, after the summer break. Our students continue to amaze us with their resilience and ability to adapt to changing situations.

The highlight of this month was definitely our Grandparents Day. We cannot thank our Grandparents enough for having taken all the pains, especially breaking down the barriers of technology; to ensure that they came onto the virtual platform to be with their grandchild and interact with their peers and class teachers. Their childhood anecdotes and simple teachings topped with loads of blessings from our dear Grandparents, certainly made it one of the most memorable days for our children as well as our teachers.

Our Grandparents showed us that their love transcends distance and once again proved that, East or West Grandparents are the best!!!

Looking ahead...

With best regards,
Rashmi Nagendra
Principal, Kindergarten







'BACK TO SCHOOL' COMES IN A DIFFERENT PACKAGE THIS YEAR.

It was a delight to meet and greet our little ones virtually after the 'isolated' summer holidays and must say they all looked refreshed, grown up, wise and technically sound!

The hustle bustle of activities, the chit chats, their laughter, funny antics and the classroom noise is definitely music to our ears!

"What cannot be cured must be endured!", my belief

(I am sure may have been for most now) has brought us closer to life and made us

mentally stronger to embrace 'change' in any manner as it comes! Our little ones

have well adapted to the new Normal too! Cheers to that spirit!

A warm beginning it was to our term 2 with our ever gracious Grandparents taking out their time to join us in our classrooms on 'Grandparents Day'! While new concepts, new learnings, old friends and new as well as great understanding enhanced the month with freshness, hope and wisdom!

With an awesome start.....loads of excitement and happenings await us this term!

Welcome back! Happy Reading!









When I heard that due to Covid - 19 schools would go online, I was worried, tensed and anxiety was building up and I kept having these thoughts "How do I teach my little ones online who have just taken their first step to school for the 1st time"?

The challenge was dealing with the littlest students, with their limited attention spans and need for an adult supervision. And so the challenge was accepted. As a teacher I was determined to make it work while Parent understanding and participation in online teaching has been of great help.

So if we have fun learning in our school classroom, why not during online classes. Things slowly started to settle, and my tiny tots now get all ready and dressed up eagerly waiting for their teacher to come online.

For me wow moment is my 3 year old children surprising me with in few weeks from the day the school started. Children participating in all the fun activities, retelling the stories, sometimes fighting with their sibling ("My school you are not allowed, my teacher".....etc etc) or even telling me when my screen freezes "Ma'am I can't see you" or introducing me to their grandparents.

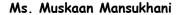
It's really been a great learning experience during this pandemic.



The world is going through a pandemic & all of us are getting used to the new norms. The schools moved to distance learning which was not easy initially for all of us but gradually everyone got used to it and life started getting back on track again. As it is correctly said that, "There are two sides of a coin", and it goes very nice as we have come across many positive sides of distance learning too & one big example for the same was 'Grandparents day' celebration.

As we all know that many of us are staying in UAE away from our families, most of the grandparents are staying in their home country and it is not possible for them to join the 'Grandparents day' celebration at school. However this time was a pleasant exception for all of them due to online learning and online celebration as many grandparents could join for the celebrations from their home country. This was one in a life time event for most of the children. The happiness, the joy, the excitement & the enjoyment that the grandparents and the children had together cannot be expressed in words. THE SPARKLE & SHINE OF HAPPINESS looked very evident in everyone's eyes. This pleasure & happiness was really a 'WOW' moment for me.







BACK TO SCHOOL

Students and teachers were very happy to be back to school! Little ones bubbling with enthusiasm to greet their teachers and meet their friends!

They happily revived the fond memories of the past term and excited to start anew!









In Literacy, it was time for 'The little Red hen' to engage our little ones with enhanced vocabulary, understanding of situations and communication along with phonics and sounds of letters s,a,t,p!

Math was all about real life concepts of 'Full' and 'Empty', Patterns and Counting Numbers upto 6!

'Healthy' fruits and vegetables as well as 'Unhealthy' food along with Parts of the plant were the main topics covered in the Understanding of the world!





Understanding of the world!









Run...Run...as fast as you can!

You can't catch me..... I am the Gingerbread man!

Vocabulary building and language development through the story,
'The Gingerbread Man' along with read aloud, mark making, enactment,
story mapping, caption writing and retell was done in Literacy.

Fun with Math!

Math was fun toggling with Before and After numbers from 11 to 20! Understanding of the world!

From 'Aerial' we have now moved to the deep dark ocean, the 'Aquatic' animals. Learning about the characteristics and special features of the various ocean animals and creating their small world ocean was quite refreshing!

Literacy



Math













In **Literacy**, the story 'Town mouse and the Country mouse' kept our students intrigued by read aloud, compare and contrast of settings and the different characters.

Practice of sight words, CVC words and caption writing was throughout the month.

Understanding of the World:

Habitat 'Rainforest' was visited with a deep understanding of the different layers in a rainforest, the animals dwelling in the different layers and their adaptations.

Our Mathematical bag was filled with

Subtractions, its word problems and the real life applications involved.

While in the UAE SST, students worked around the National Symbols of UAE.

Literacy



Math



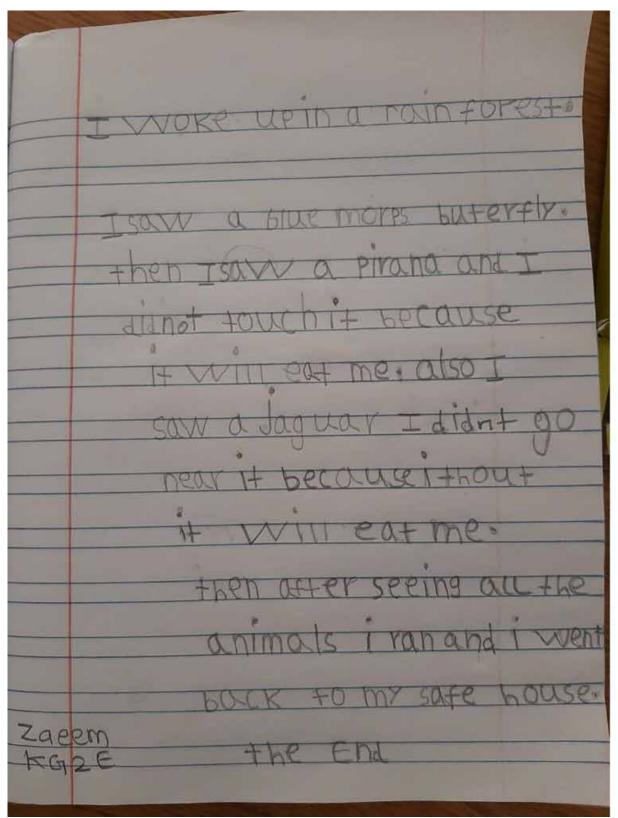
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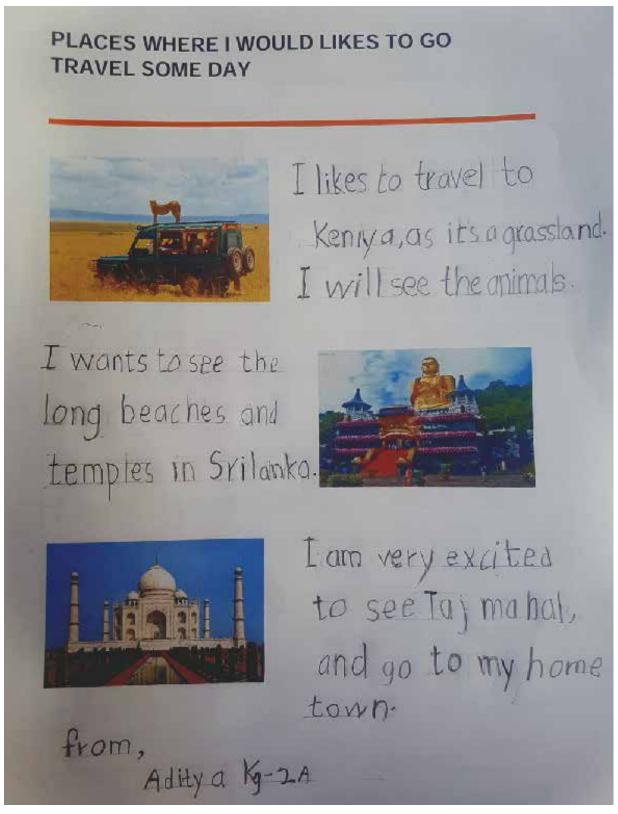
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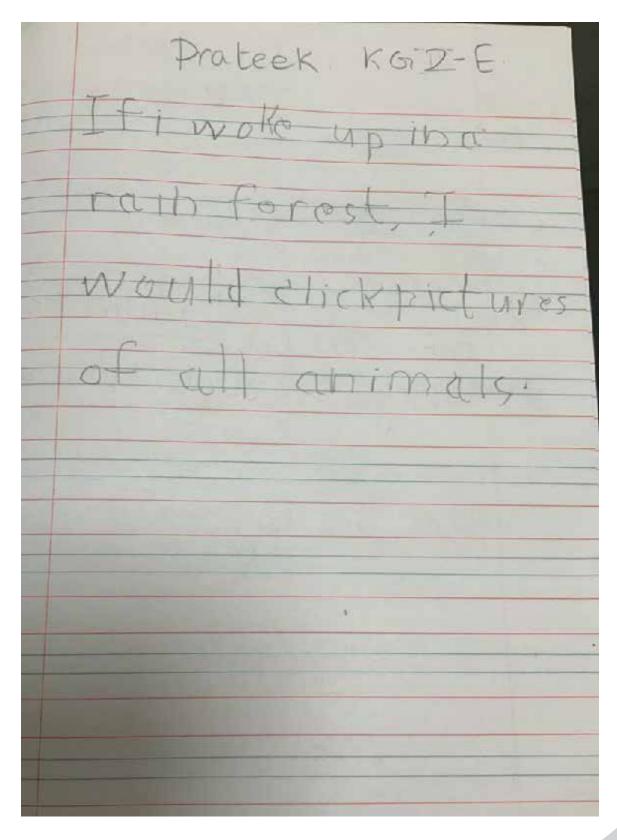




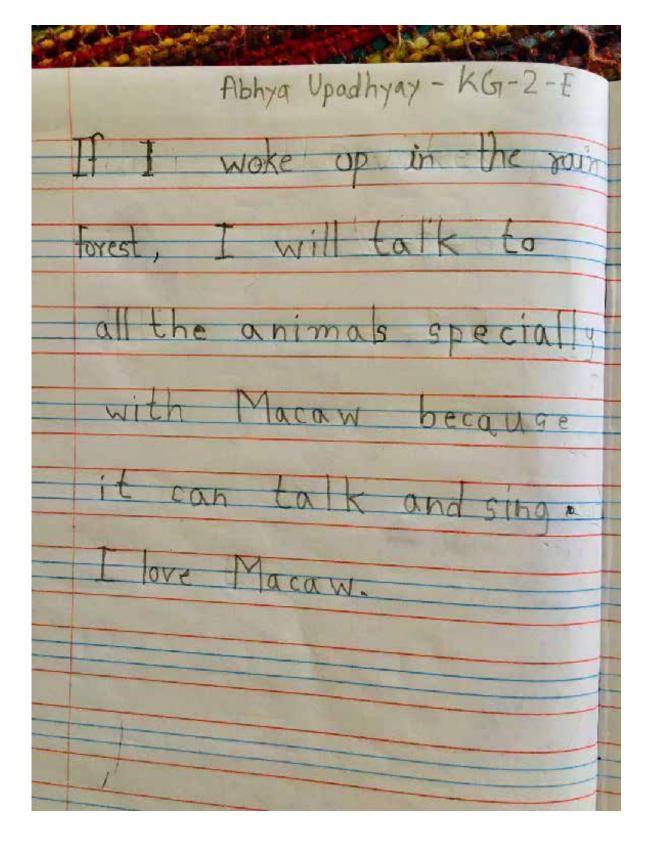




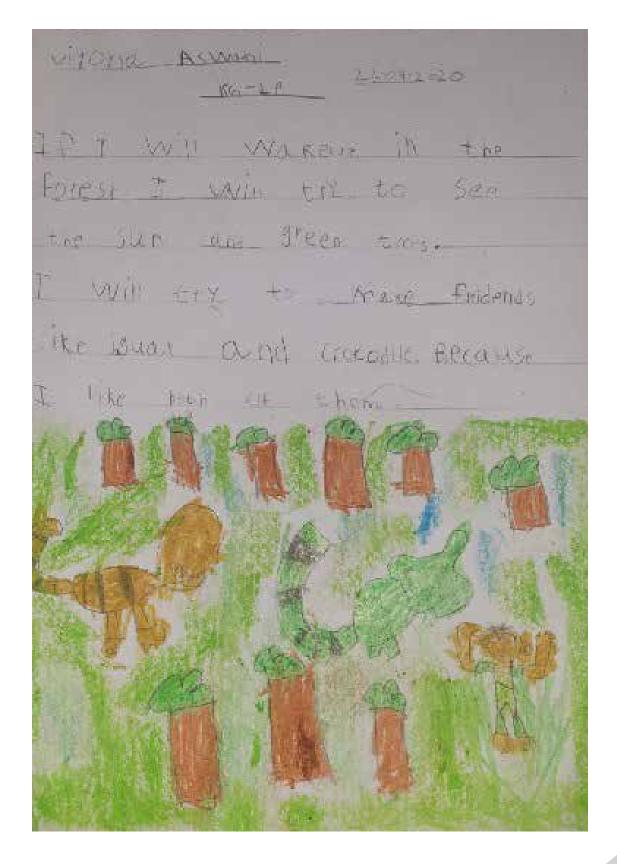








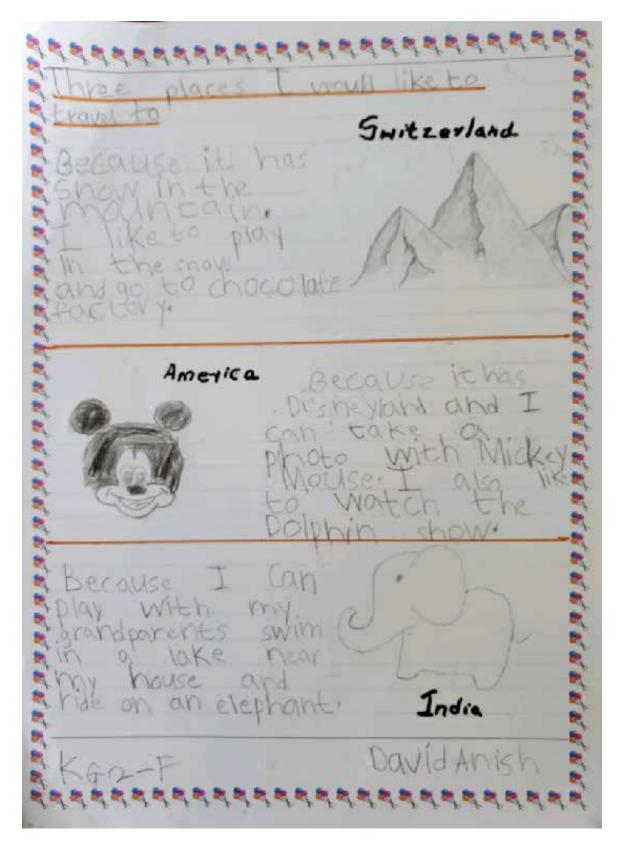




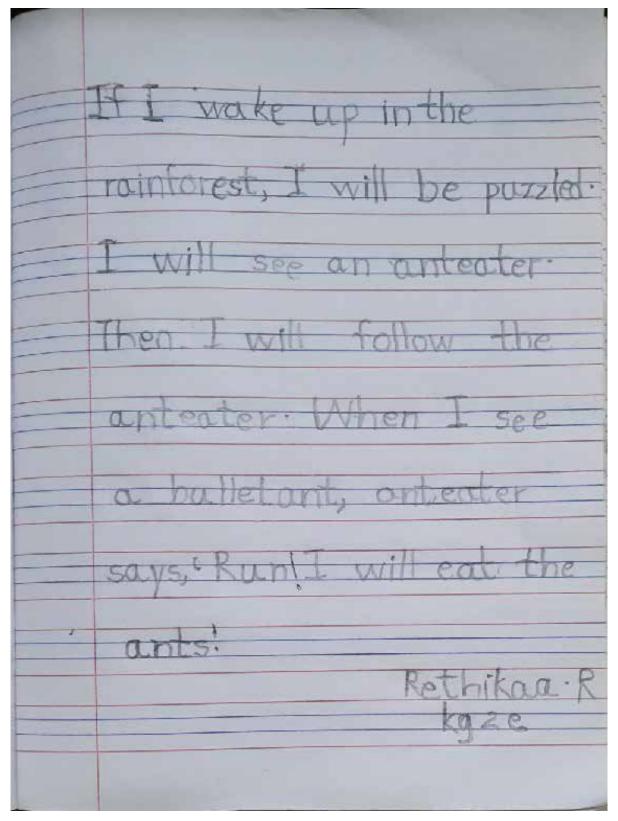


What will you do if you wake up in a rainforest ? When I woke up I was shocked!!!! I was feeling so thirsty beacause it was very hot. Then I went to the river to have some water And then I remembered there will be Piranha in the river that will eat humans. So I decide not to drink this water . But Still I was feeling very hot . Then I started thinking how to escape. I had a jetpack with Me But I cannot Ply right away. I climbed the tree and found a boa Constricter so I quickly came down. I called macaw macaw ... Then I hopped on macaw and macaw took me to the Canopy layer then I used my jet pack to fly to the emergent layer and escape the rainforest.













My Dream Holidays

My dream has always been to go and see the planets, sun, moon and stars. But since I am a young boy now, I will go to Space when I grow up and become an Astronaut. There are 3 places I would like to go now.

Abbey road in London

I have a photo of my favourite music Band
The Beatles on Abbey road. I also want to cross
the zebra crossing just like the Beatles did
and click a photo. I want to visit their
studio and record a song too.

Greece

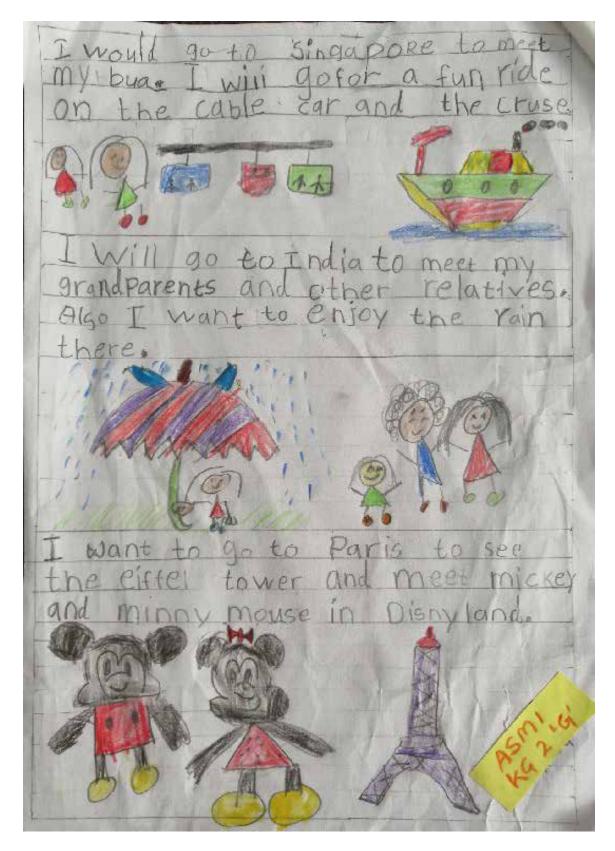
I love the movie Mama Mia. It is a musical movie with ABBA songs. The story is about Dona who lives in the beautiful Greece island. I want to meet her and enjoy on the beach.

My grandparents live here. I call them Mai and Aba. Mai never scolds me. Aba plays with me. I love to go on my Abas scooter and buy lots of chips.

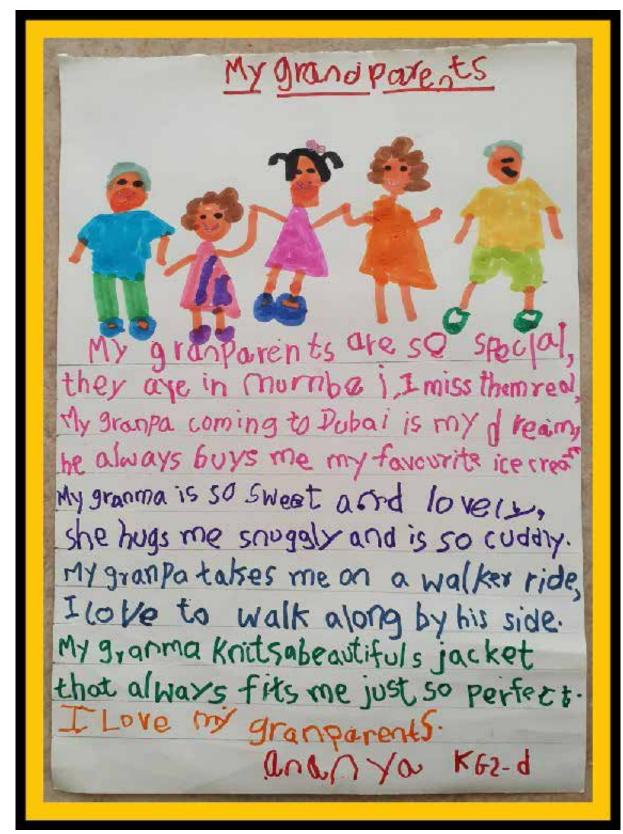
Hope this Corona Virus goes away soon. Then I can go on my dream holidays.

- Zeke Izyk Coelho













On Campus learning has been bubbling with great enthusiasm and high spirits under complete COVID 19 measures followed amongst our students and teachers. Outdoor play, co curricular activities and expressive activities kept them engaged through the month.







The last day of the month is celebrated as a break from the regular studies, and we call it the Funday! All students in KG 1 and KG 2 were dressed up as their favorite book character and spoke something special about their characteristic! While our Pre Kg students had dressed up in a mismatched way!

All students and teachers loved to dress up and had a chilled out day!





GRANDPARENTS DAY

What a memorable day this was! Our little ones celebrating the Golden relationship between themselves and grandparents on this special day. We had invited our loving grandparents from across the globe to our classroom to meet and connect with us along with some games, songs and sweet messages, thanks to the distance learning. We surely received loads of beautiful moments and wonderful vibes to cherish for life!



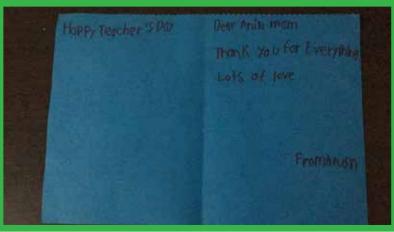


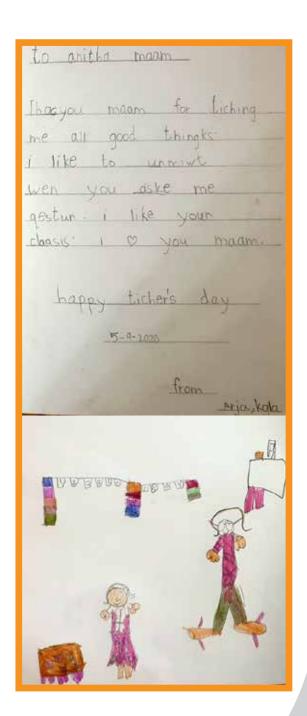


TEACHER'S DAY

Beautiful cards, sweet gestures, heartfelt messages and warm hugs by our students for their loving teachers, indeed, brought in loads of smiles and happiness!









CO-CURRICULARS

The Co-Curriculars yet again had a fruitful month of activities and learning for a holistic development.

Sensory Gym - Activities such as the sack/pillow case activity for learning to balance their body and using the Rubber band to fine tune their fine motor skills!



Yoga – Different poses such as- Adhomukashwanasana (downward facing dog pose), Dancer pose (Natrajasana), Ashtanga namaskar (Eight limbed salutation), Suryanamaskara (Sun salutation) in **KG 2** While Adhomukashwanasana (downward facing dog pose), Dolphin pose, Frog pose(mandukasana), Seated mountain pose(parvatasana), Dancer pose(Natrajasana) in **KG 1** were mastered and our little PRE kindergarteners had Seated mountain pose (parvatasana), Boat pose (naukasana), Frog pose(mandukasana)!







Arts -

Pre kindergarten etched their name by salt painting while making ice cream scoops with paper cup! Yummy!!

KG1 students used cutout shapes and salt painting to create a Giraffe pattern animal, a sunflower Collage while also created their underwater scene!...... Just keep swimming!

KG2 students recreated their favorite Habitat and did salt painting, made placemats using paper weaving technique and created their own mouse face mask! Squeak....Squeak!

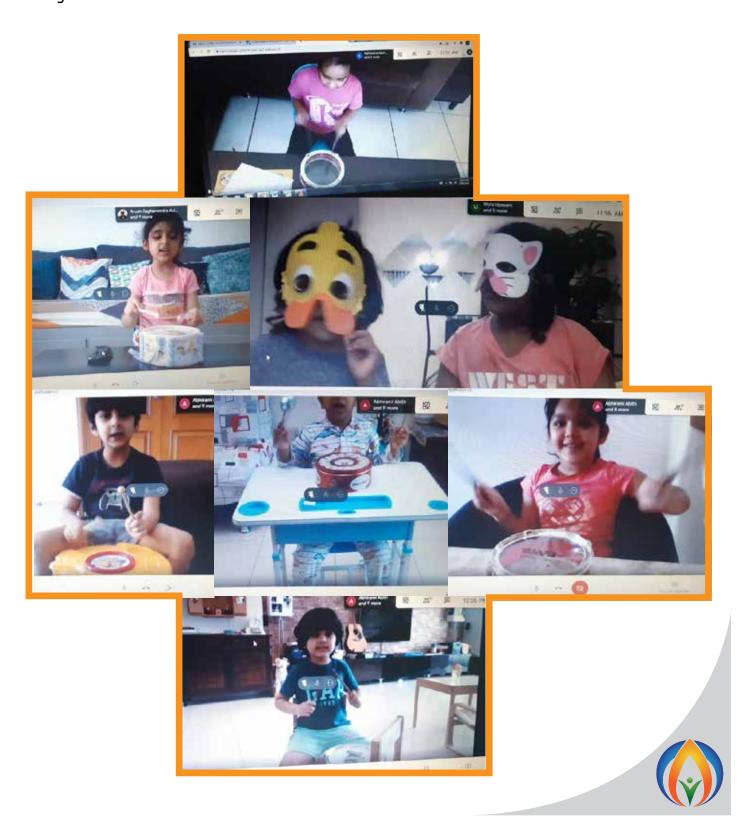






Music -

Humming the 'Water Song' and singing along with rhythm pattern made musical rounds in Kindergarten this month!





Library -

Read aloud story, a bedtime story, the recapitulation, illustration and recreating characters/setting of the story!





See You Soon!



