



AL KHOZAMA INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL, DAMMAM, KSA

Kindergarten Newsletter – April 2023

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- ✚ Mother's Day
- ✚ Dress up Day Yemen
- ✚ Dress up Day Eritrea
- ✚ Bunnies Camp 1

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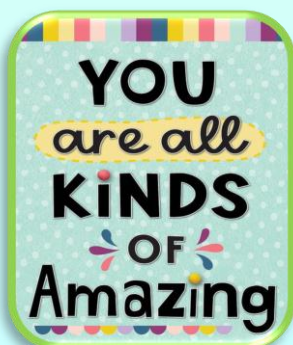
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**Kid, you'll move mountains!
Today is your day!
Your mountain is waiting.
So get on your way!**
Dr Seuss

Dear Parents

Greeting from AKIS!!

"Every child needs a champion, an adult who will never give up on them" - Rita Pierson

There is no overnight process to grow mighty trees from the little seeds that we sow. Just like the way we nurture and take care of trees to help them grow in years to stand tall & strong from the seeds they once were, ditto is the growth process observed in children too. Every stage involved in the growth process of a child, from the time he/she is a newborn, an infant, a toddler to a grown up one day, requires a patient nurturing with all love & care. Only when the efforts put in are true on the part of primary care takers & educators, a child experiences wholesome growing up time, impacting them positively as they walk through all the spheres of life. Thereby, promising them a rich and rewarding future life ahead. However, the journey to success is never free of any hiccups. More often than not, there are major setbacks and obstacles experienced. We elders as guiding light to them are required to believe in the process, believe in them, never to give up on them and motivate them to keep soaring high! Most importantly, reassure and show our children, that they are loved more than they know of!

We hope that the holy month of Ramadan illuminated the hearts of many. Also hoping, the festive spirit of Eid Ul-Fitr was well enjoyed by all and may it still linger on!

PLAY TIME

"We didn't realize we were making memories. We just knew we were having fun"

Fun games like play area fun, balance and walk on the beam, walk in a zig zag line, kicking a stationary ball, book balancing, running race, passing ball using elbows, free play etc. were incorporated during play time. Children had fun galore investing their time in productive plays. Play time gives room for better socializing by children among the peer group.



CIRCLE TIME

“Circle Time allows children to practice social skills, follow rules and routines, and develop a sense of community.”

The informal setup in Circle Time breaks the ice, allowing children to settle down, feel relaxed and also perform at their free will, being liberal with peer group and the teacher. Circle Time begins with meeting and greeting. Children take turns to talk by passing the puppet. In the month of April, days of the week and months of the year were revisited everyday through songs. Children also expressed through emotions what makes them happy and sad. Discussion on what's same and different between them and their friends was also seen in Circle Time. Circle Time also witnessed the singing of rhymes and action songs as usual.



THEME TIME

"Theme learning motivates the child to enhance their knowledge and understanding of the world around them."

In the month of April, during Theme time, discussion about body parts was given more emphasis with the song 'Head shoulders knees and toes.' Body dice game was thoroughly enjoyed by our little ones, followed by the introduction of the concept big and small, along with few sorting activities.

Children had fun listening to the riddles and guessed the object right. Children learnt to compare things and people to notice similarities and differences in them. Children also talked about different emotions they possess and shared everyday on how they felt for the day. Through art form in scrap book activity, children adorably expressed their likes and dislikes.



MATH TIME

"Without mathematics, there's nothing you can do. Everything around you is mathematics. Everything around you is numbers."
— Shakuntala Devi,"

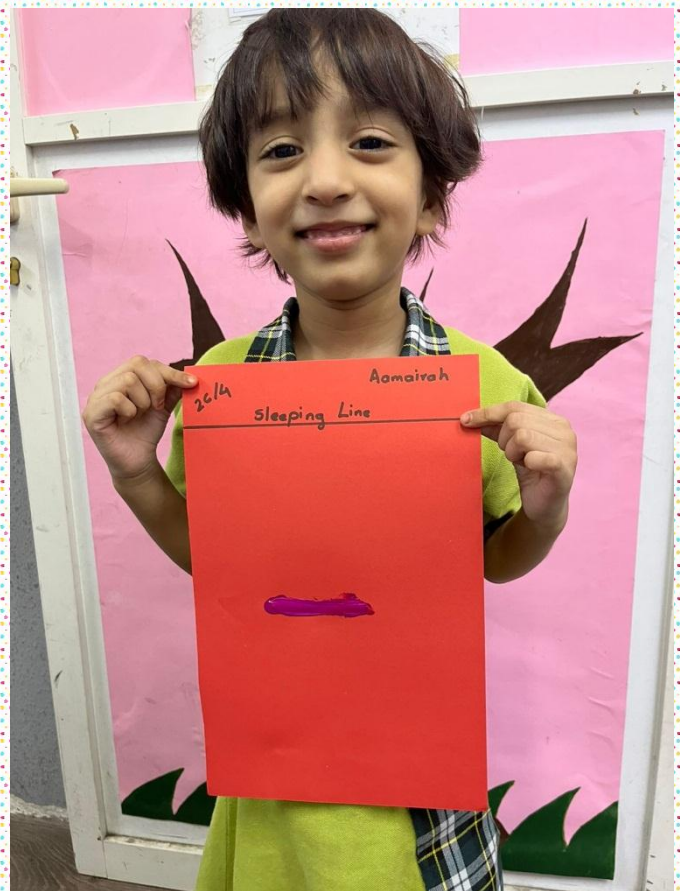
In the month of April, during Math time, oral counting of numbers started off with counting up till 30. Older kindergarteners are practicing counting of numbers till 100 every day. Identification and representation of numbers were practiced every day too. Our little ones had great fun indulging in tracing of different patterns and colouring of the same. Basic shapes like circle, square, triangle, and rectangle were introduced. UKG children well learnt to count the sides of these basic shapes.



LANGUAGE TIME

"Language is the foundation for most kinds of learning"

Listening activities if practiced well in the early childhood years through rhymes, songs and stories help build language development in children. Singing of songs and story narration makes an integral part of Language Time. Our young learners had fun singing the songs, bits of paper, if you are happy and you know it, my big blue ship, colour song etc. introduction to formation of letters were done through strokes in the workbook. Gradually, letters were introduced with phonics. Writing practice of the same was carried out in workbooks. UKG children revisited all the letters of the alphabet and the same was written in the right formation followed by the regular practice of 2 letters blends which are known as CV words.



SPECIAL EVENTS

Go Green Earth Day

Kindergarten section of Al Khozama International School, Dammam, celebrated World Earth Day on Thursday 13th April, 2023. Following the theme "Investing in our Planet", the school took an initiative to combat the biggest threats of climate change by GOING GREEN. Special assembly laid focus on the subject, OUR CLEAN AND GREEN PLANET. Children were well explained the Importance of planting trees to save our planet Earth. Our little ones were also imparted the knowledge of 3R's "Reduce Reuse & Recycle", Thereby, infusing in them an understanding to use less and save more. Children watched the demonstration on how to segregate the waste accordingly. They carefully attempted segregation of waste activity with all enthusiasm. Our little ones also contributed lovely Earth Day Craft and posters which they made with the help of their parents, thereby standing tall in supporting the cause for environmental protection.



Dress up Day Syria

Al Khozama kindergarteners celebrated Dress up Day - Syria on 11th April, 2023. Special assembly was organized to share insights about Syrian culture and heritage. Through Show & Tell, our children spoke at length about, Syrian food, famous places, monuments, national bird, animal & flower etc.

CLOSING WORDS

YOU
are all
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OF
Amazing

Thank
You