



KINDERWORLD INTERNATIONAL KINDERGARTEN @ HANOI TOWERS

NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents,

The month of November has been very busy with excursions, some wonderful STEM activities, celebrating Teacher's Day and final preparations for our Christmas festivities.

An important date to put in your calendar is **Saturday, December 8** as this is the date of our annual Christmas Charity Fair. This year, we will again be joining with SIS @ Van Phuc to bring you one big Christmas event! The Fair will be held from 9:00am to 11:30am. We are very pleased to announce that the chosen charity this year will again be "Operation Smile, Vietnam". This wonderful charity is dedicated to transforming the lives of children who are born with facial deformities. As our plans and preparations get underway, I will send more information out to you. For our "Trash and Treasure" stall, we would like to ask for donations in the form of toys, clothing, bedding, bags, shoes, jewelry / scarves / handbags, DVD's / CD's, books, household items, anything at all that you no longer require or use.



Our teaching staff were overwhelmed with the generosity and warm wishes shown by our parent community for their recognition of Teacher's Day. The flowers, floral arrangements, cakes and fruit baskets we received in the office were truly breathtaking. We have a wonderful team of teachers here at KIK @ Hanoi Towers and I acknowledge the outstanding work they do each and every day, to provide the best care and wonderful learning experiences for all our children.

Our heartfelt thanks to all parents for their kindness and generosity on this special day.

Upcoming Important Dates:

- December 6 - K1 Panda Class Excursion to Pegasus**
- December 7 - Prep Joey Class Excursion to Curious Kid**
- December 8 - Christmas Fair**
- December 11 - K1 Fawn Class Excursion to Pegasus**
- December 12 - K1 Lamb Class Excursion to Pegasus**
- December 12 - Prep Froglet Class Excursion to Curious Kid**
- December 13 - Christmas Concert**
- December 17 to January 1 - Christmas and New Year Break**



Estelle Brown
Head of Kindergarten

News around the Classrooms



The American Club Visits

In Terms 2 and 3, all classes at our kindergarten have weekly visits to the American Club, an enclosed outdoor area just a five-minute drive away from our campus. American Club has a nice large playground as well as a soccer field and new children's pathway. The students' weekly outdoor experience at American Club is a great opportunity for them to move and have lots of fun while enhancing their gross motor skills. Climbing up and down and hanging on the structures of the playground improves their strength, flexibility and body control. Many of the classes also have their P.E. lessons at the American Club with Ms. Roan. They really enjoy playing with the parachute as well as playing a competitive game of tug-of-war. It is wonderful to see our students enjoy a happy and safe outdoor play experience in the fresh air and sunshine.





STEM Learning in Integrated Prep Joey Class

Joey Class students enjoyed learning about the theme “Transportation” this month. They did an exciting STEM activity with Ms. Hang and Ms. Huong in which they worked in groups to make different kinds types of vehicles out of reusable materials. Firstly, the students identified and named some basic kinds of transportation and described what each looked like. Then, they split into groups, each group being responsible for one kind of transportation including a truck, car and bus. They thought about the shape of their vehicle and they used various sized boxes, cartons and toilet paper rolls to make their creations as realistic looking as possible. The students were very proud of the final product and the teachers were so happy with how well the students worked in their groups, sharing ideas and problem solving to create their finished products. Well done, Prep Joey’s!



Nursery Classes Visit the Aquarium

After learning all about sea animals, the students in the Nursery Classes enjoyed an excursion to the Aquarium at Times City. They were able to get a close look at fish, sharks and turtles as well as watch the penguins and the sharks being fed. Teachers were delighted to hear their students using their English words to name all the sea creatures they were able to see. Another highlight of the trip was the performance of the mermaids. The experience at the aquarium was a great way for the students to consolidate all the things that they had learned about sea animals.





Nursery Kitten Class

This month, the students in the Nursery Kitten Class enjoyed learning about "Pets." The learning focused on what animals make good pets and how to care for our pets. Ms Roie and Ms Tra My set up a Vet Clinic in the classroom so that the children were able to have lots of role-play experiences. They enjoyed pretending to be a vet in the vet clinic and were very caring when checking the dog's temperature and heart as well as giving them medicine. When playing, they would say "oh no, sick puppy" and "drink medicine."

The students also used a stamp to do a fun paw print art activity. They were very creative with their designs. These experiences were a great opportunity for the students to learn more about pets as well as gain social skills and use English vocabulary as they played and worked together.



STEM Learning in Panda Class

K1 Panda Class learned about igloos for 'letter i' and then had so much fun learning how to build an igloo using just playdough and toothpicks. Firstly, they put the playdough and toothpicks together to create many shapes including triangles, squares, diamonds and pyramids. Once the students were able to create simple shapes, they moved onto building an igloo. They were all so very proud of what they had produced, and were able to use their English to talk about their creations. This was a great activity for the students to have experience working independently as well as in small groups.



Exploring Chromatography in Prep Joey Class

The Integrated Prep students had fun doing a Paper Chromatography Science experiment. We drew pictures on coffee filters using markers, and then we placed the coffee filters into a little bit of water in a cup. Before putting the coffee filter in water, we tried to predict what would happen. One child said that the colours on the coffee filter would be “erased” and another child said that the colours would change. All the students had the chance to do the experiment individually, and they were amazed to see their picture change so quickly. Afterwards, we discussed what we saw happen during the experiment. The students said that the colours changed, they could see many new colours, and their picture now looked like a “rainbow.” The students were very engaged during this experiment, and they were excited to make some interesting artwork.

