



KINDERWORLD KINDERGARTEN @ HANOI TOWERS

NEWSLETTER

JUNE 2022

Dear Parents / Guardians,

As our academic year draws to a close we have much to celebrate and many happy memories. This has been a most unusual year with COVID 19 altering so many of our well-prepared plans. However, although the very late start to the academic school year we settled straight back into the routine of in-class learning and made amazing overall progress.

We have a wonderful short but busy time - from celebrating Children's Day with our South East Asia theme, going on various excursions and of course having an amazing Prep graduation alongside our sister schools of Van Phuc / The Manor and Ciputra.

In their daily lives, students have excelled in so many fields, progressing tremendously from their initial nervous first days of school to the confident, capable students they are today.

It is also the time of the year that we bid a fond farewell to our Prep students - many of whom have only known Hanoi Towers as their school – so we have had the delight of seeing them grow and progress. We feel confident that they are all ready to move forward to Grade One and take on the new challenges of being a Primary school student.

May we take this opportunity to wish you a very peaceful and restful summer break and we look forward to seeing you all again for a bright new academic year 2022 – 23.

Stephanie C. Mills
Head of Kindergarten

Upcoming Important Dates:

Thursday 30th June - End of the school year

Monday 4th July to Friday 22nd July- Summer school

Monday 8th August - Start of the new school year



News around the Classrooms

FAWN AND DUCKLING TRIP TO TINIWORLD



Fawn and Duckling class enjoyed a trip to TiniWorld Ba Trieu, as our excursion this term. The children had a wonderful time playing with lots of new toys and creating new experiences.



There was lots to see and do, including a dress-up area for role play, an engineering room, a ball house, a huge sand pit and even a mini supermarket. While we were there, the children were developing their imaginations, creativity and dexterity as they played; play is important for healthy brain development.



K1 DUCKLING EXPLORING PLANTS

K1 Duckling Class have been learning all about plants, exploring seeds, plants and flowers.

We have carried out a wide range of practical activities relating to this topic, however, our favourite has been planting our own seeds.



Each child choose a seed and eagerly planted it, giving it care and water each day. They estimated how long it would take to sprout and were thrilled to see the first bit of green plant poking through the seed coat.

The children measured the plant each day to see progress and compared and contrasted with their friends.

Having become aware of the importance of plants in our society as well as the way in which plants need to be taken care of, the children were eager to take care of the different plants found in our classroom and around the school.



We also experimented with some exciting leaf print art, using different types of leaves to compare and contrast the different vein prints.

POTTERY IN PREP

Prep groups decided to go to the Pottery Village to create some beautiful pieces that will help us remember our last kindergarten year!

We started the trip by using our fine motor skills and learning how to build a cup. Each child had their own piece of clay and potter's wheel and were encouraged to spin and create. It was great fun to see how fast we could make our wheels turn without our cups flopping over!



Even though it took a while, eventually everyone managed to mould the clay so that it resembled a cup in some way.

Once our cups were made, the next step was that of painting our cups. A wide range of colours were provided and the children spent a long time choosing

the colours and designs that they felt would enhance their unique piece.

The cups were then left to dry for a while so that they could be carefully transported home. It was great to see the children so involved in a task and enjoy the process of having a complete piece from a simple ball of clay.



It was a wonderful day!

EXPLORING FLOWER SYMMETRY IN CHICK CLASS

In Chick class, we have been focusing on plants this month.

In addition to exploring real plants, we experimented with symmetry in our maths lessons. We started with looking at real flowers and seeing how they are symmetrical i.e. that one side is the same as the other.

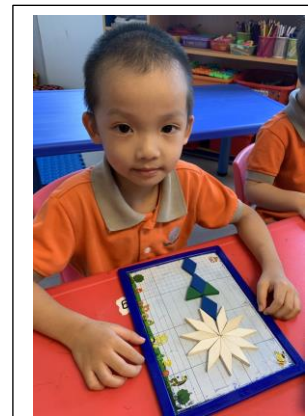


We practised symmetry with pupils making different actions with their partners making the symmetrical version.



Once the basic concept of symmetry was generally understood, we moved on to using the wooden blocks to make our own symmetrical flowers.

The children were enthusiastic to experiment with the different colours and shapes to make their own flowers and trying their best to make their flowers symmetrical. This was not only in relation to the flower head but also with the stem – for example, putting a leaf on one side and matching this by adding a leaf on the other side.



The children gained a lot from this exciting activity and this is often the best way to learn – learning through enjoyment and not even realizing that it is work!

EXPLORING TRANSPORTATION IN PUPPY

This month, the Puppy class explored the theme “Transportation”. This is always a popular topic as it is directly related to the children’s everyday experiences.

Each week we focused on a different form of transportation – from water to land and air.

When looking at water transport, the children had an opportunity to experiment with water, working to make and test their own boats and investigating different ways to make them sink!



When looking at road transport we practically worked with the new STEM car sets, exploring how to set up different tracks to make cars go faster downhill.

The children discovered that a car will travel faster downhill when the road is straight rather than curved.



The theme of transportation was continued in our ESL lessons with Ms Meghan. The children worked to explore slopes- experimenting with different cars to see how cars can travel down and how far they can travel at the bottom of the slope.



K2 CLASSES IN VINKE

We had a great learning experience during our trip to Vincom Centre. It was a great way for the class to work together.



We all took the school bus together, which was very exciting - looking out the window and discussing what we could see in the streets and on the roads. We saw many different types of cars, and vehicles as well as different types of plants, trees and people.



When we arrived at Vincom Centre, we all worked as a team to get ourselves into the building carefully. Our first adventure was into the learning stations where we explored the different workforces such as

how to be a firefighter, dentist, and a member of the police force as well as in the military force.

We were able to dress up in the different outfits and they taught us about how each different workforce does its job. When we were dressed up as firefighters, we even got to experience what it’s like to use a fire hose in a real-life situation, using the water cannons to spray a building while dressed up in our firefighting outfits.

We all had a lovely day out and learnt a lot about teamwork as well as different career paths we could do in the future.



PREP GRADUATION CEREMONY 2021-2022



