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NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents / Guardians,

We hope that you all have a wonderful Christmas break and a very happy New Year.

We've had an incredibly vibrant December and January, filled with exciting events and activities. Our Christmas Charity Fair kicked off the festive season with perfect weather, resulting in an amazing amount raised for our charity, Caritas. The Hanoi Towers lobby transformed into a magical venue for our Christmas concert, where students showcased remarkable confidence and perseverance in their performances. To wrap up the Christmas festivities, Father Christmas delighted our students with individual gifts.

As we celebrated Tet, our calendar was brimming with diverse activities, including the heartwarming tradition of making Chung Cake at Pegasus International College.

It was a pleasure meeting many of you during our parent-teacher meetings, and the positive feedback we received was truly heartening!

Looking ahead, February promises to be eventful with our first stay-and-play event and the much-anticipated Dr. Seuss Literacy Week in early March.

May we take this opportunity to wish you all a very happy and peaceful Tet holiday and we look forward to a wonderful new year of the dragon.

Stephanie C. Mills
Head of Kindergarten

Upcoming Important Dates:

Monday 5th February – Friday 16th February: Tet Holiday (school closed)

Monday 19th February: School resumes

Thursday 22nd February: Stay and Play event



News around the Classrooms

STEAM WITH PREP

This session brought an extraordinary experience as we welcomed STEAM masters to KIK@Hanoi Towers! In the engaging session, these STEAM enthusiasts shared their



knowledge, unravelling the wonders of the scientific world. We experimented with changing the colour of



water – from clear to a vibrant blue, as well as delving into the magnetism with a “magic” magnetic hand moving paperclips in a mysterious way.

We also were exposed to the joy of making smoked doughnuts - these hands-on experiments enabling students to blend creativity with scientific discovery.

The highlight of the day was peering through a red-coloured lens, magically transforming our surroundings.

The grand finale featured an introduction to coding, where our young learners embraced the world of programming and engaged in exhilarating races with robot cars



This immersive experience not only broadened our scientific horizons but also sparked curiosity and enthusiasm for STEAM subjects. We're grateful for the STEAM masters who made this week an unforgettable journey of exploration and learning!

MATHS EXPLORATION IN PRENURSERY

Puppy class enjoyed themselves this month, engaging in a series of hands-on mathematical activities.



Our young learners

embarked on an exciting colour hunt, armed with papers featuring the key colour – green. Beyond nurturing observational skills, it empowered the pupils to identify and categorize everything green – from

leaves on plants to vibrant toys. This immersive

experience not only strengthened their ability to distinguish colours but also laid a strong foundation for recognizing

patterns, a crucial

aspect of early mathematical concepts.

To solidify their newfound knowledge, the Puppy class dove into a creative project of making green square robots. The children diligently manipulated green squares to construct their own robots, matching and

sticking various pieces to create a complete robot picture.

This engaging project seamlessly blended art and

mathematics, providing a holistic learning experience.

As we celebrate their achievements, we eagerly anticipate the next chapter of discovery and growth in Puppy class mathematics.



CREATIVE GARA EXCURSION



The K2 classes had so much fun getting creative on our STEM excursion to Creative Gara. Before starting the main activity, students were instructed in the basic techniques

and machines used for woodworking with an emphasis on safety rules.

They then had an opportunity to create their own wooden Christmas picture. Everyone received their own wooden picture frame and other various wooden shapes. They used sandpaper to make the wooden material smooth and then glued the wooden shapes to create different Christmas scenes with Christmas trees, snowmen, and houses. The students were so proud of the beautiful artwork that they made.



In addition to making a Christmas picture, the students also played a couple of fun games. They held a large wooden maze as a class and lifted and dropped it in intentional ways to make the ball go from the start to the finish of the maze. The students cheered in excitement as they got close to the finish. They also played a ring toss game with reindeer in which they had to get the rings on the

reindeer's antlers. It was a lot trickier than we imagined but the students tried their best!

EXPLORING THE FIVE SENSES

In a series of STEM lessons, the students had an opportunity to explore the five senses - sight, touch, taste, smell, and hearing - to explore various aspects of fruits.



We started with the senses of touch and smell, with everyone feeling the fruits and then trying again with a blindfold on, to see if

they could identify the various fruits by feeling and smelling them only.

We then moved on to the sense of sound – with students shaking the different fruits to see if they could hear anything. This was then repeated by gently tapping the surface with a drumstick – the students were fascinated to hear how the different fruits made such different noises!

We finished off our exploration of fruit senses with our favourite activity – exploring the sense of taste! The students worked collectively to help peel and carefully cut the various fruits using child safety knives and arranged them on plates before embarking on their favourite activity of using the sense of taste to eat!



INTERACTIVE MATHS IN K2

In the K2 Chick class, learning becomes an adventure with our exciting range of interactive activities.



Students recently immersed themselves in the fascinating world of numbers, with a specific focus on one-to-one correspondence.



The classroom buzzed with enthusiasm as all students actively participated in engaging activities designed to make learning numbers both enjoyable and interactive.

Counting holds a pivotal role in mathematical development, with this foundational skill laying the groundwork for their understanding of more complex mathematical concepts.

To infuse a sense of excitement into the lesson, interactive games such as "What number can you see?" and "What numbers disappear?" took centre stage. It encourages them to make connections between numbers and real-life objects, fostering a deeper understanding of numerical concepts.

Participation in such interactive activities serves as a catalyst for holistic development. Students not only refine their number sense but also sharpen their spatial awareness and critical thinking skills, creating a solid foundation for their ongoing mathematical journey.



EXPANDING LANGUAGE IN PREP

In our dynamic language and literacy lessons for Prep, we go beyond the conventional methods of teaching letter recognition and sounds. Our primary goal is to cultivate a



deep love for language and reading within our young learners, creating a foundation for a lifelong journey of discovery. Each week, we embark on a fascinating journey centred around a captivating theme. This thematic approach serves as the heartbeat of our lessons, immersing our students in a

world of exploration and learning. This not only captures their attention but also fosters a profound connection to the subjects they encounter. To enhance the learning experience, we carefully integrate music into our lessons. A thoughtfully selected song, aligned with the weekly theme, becomes a powerful tool to activate different areas of the brain. This multisensory approach makes lessons more memorable and enjoyable for our young minds. Incorporating visually stimulating flashcards, we reinforce vocabulary and facilitate visual learning. These aids not only support language development but also make the learning process more interactive and engaging.

We firmly believe in the power of hands-on learning and interactive activities, thereby empowering our students to become confident and competent communicators.



HAPPY TET

