



PRISM

Playgroup

Message from the Principal's Desk

Dear Parents,

Seasons Greetings!

One winter morning when the sun was fairly up in the sky, a little boy reached on a grocery shop having telephone booth in it. He saw a carton; he reached to the carton and pulled it near the telephone booth. Then, he climbed onto the carton so that he could reach the buttons on the phone and proceeded to punch in ten digits (mobile numbers) The store-owner observed and curiously listened to the conversation the boy had. Little Boy asked, "Madam, I am a poor boy, can you give me the job of grass cutting in your lawn?" Woman (at the other end of the phone line) replied, "Sorry, I already have someone to cut my lawn." Little Boy said, "Madam, I will cut your lawn for half the price of the person who cuts your lawn now."

Woman replied, "I'm very satisfied with the person who is presently cutting my lawn. He is doing a good job." Little Boy (with more perseverance) said, "Madam, I'll even sweep your curb and your sidewalk, so on sunday you will have the prettiest lawn in all of Palm beach, Florida.



Woman, "No, thank you." With a smile on his face, the little boy replaced the receiver. The store-owner, who was listening to all this conversation, walked over to the boy. Store owner said, "Son... I liked your attitude; I also liked your positive spirit and would like to offer you a job."

Boy replied, "No, thanks. I appreciate your job offer to me". Store owner said, "But you were really pleading for one, when you were talking to the lady over phone." The little boy replied, "No Sir, I was just checking my performance at the job I already have. I am the one who is working for that lady I was talking to!"

Acknowledgment-

<https://www.invajy.com/inspirational-and-motivational-short-stories-about-life-self-appraisal-story-8/>

This is - 'Self Appraisal'. This story encourages us to always seek proactive feedback. We must try to get feedback from others and be ready to work constructively on it. It helps us to take corrective actions before things get worst. Feedback is important for our confidence, when one receives a positive feedback on one's work, like happened with the little boy in the above story. Along with feedback it is also important to give feedback- what more can we do to improve and how?

On behalf of the entire PYP team, I thank each one of you for the year 2022, where you offered feedback for us to improve and joined us in the opportunities to try initiatives, imbibe our core values and ensure that our learners are always at the centre. We value your contributions in our journey of learning and teaching!

We wish you and your families a very happy, prosperous, safe and healthy 2023.

Warmest regards,

Anjalika Sharma

IBPYP Principal

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Message from the Center Head's Desk

Dear Parents,

Greetings!

We witnessed an enthralling presentation of skills of our students during the annual day which emphasized on values of relationship, co-operation and were depicted with meaningful life lessons. It was the result of continuous planning, training, and cooperation by all the members of school community focusing on the creativity and collaboration of students.

While presentation skill was the highlight, students were also busy inquiring about different lines of inquiry related to the unit. In connection with the current unit of inquiry, our Grade 1 students used Design Thinking to identify potential problems around them and find solutions demonstrating their imagination and creativity.

Students of Grade 2 inquired into challenges associated with a choice of material, during its manufacture or while processing and with the by-products.



They used the Design Thinking process to come up with innovative solutions and prototype to overcome the challenges identified.

The process of empathizing to understand the problem, defining the problem, ideating, creating the prototype, builds the necessary skills for students to look at a problem with a new perspective and become problem-finders and problem-solvers.

It's a collaborative process of learning which requires support from peers, teachers as well as parents. At home, you may discuss the problem your child has identified as a part of design thinking process and extend help as they research while gathering information to understand the problem better.

We look forward to your continuous encouragement and contribution in your child's learning journey.

We wish you a very happy and prosperous new year 2023!

Warm regards,

Sandhya Ramesh
Center Head

Learning and Teaching- Month Review

Theme: All about myself

The students were introduced to the theme "Being caring". They explored about personal hygiene, personal belongings through various learning engagements flash cards, rhymes and manipulatives which developed their fine motor skills.

Students had a discussion about their likes with their peers which developed their communication skills.

Literacy:

The students learned new words and became acquainted with the words like open-close concepts through action and rhymes. They enthusiastically participated in learning engagements like showing left and right through flash cards, manipulative and games.

Dance: Students learned elements of dance (Action) like nod, shake, hand swing, knee lift, clap, roll and legs movements

Numeracy: The students were introduced to star shape through flash card, real objects which are star in shape. They also enthusiastically participated in learning engagements like star shaped moulds & making star shape.

Music: Students learned (Family Finger and Happy Song) and watched the rhymes. They practiced rhymes and actions with the teacher using electronic keyboard as a resource and explored the percussion instruments.

Arts: The students enjoyed and engaged dipping the vegetables in paint and make the impressions to create the art work.

PE : Students were engaged through various skills like jumping and balancing. Jumping skills through ladder, cones, hula hoops.

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Christmas Day Celebrations



Learning and Teaching- Month Ahead

Theme: Being Caring

Students will continue to explore theme "Being caring". They will explore about how to take care of parents, grandparents, plants, pets through various learning engagements.

Literacy: Students will learn new words and became acquainted with the words like fast-slow through actions and various learning engagement like flash cards, manipulative and rhymes.

Numeracy: They will be introduced to "tall and short" by flash cards and manipulatives.

Music: Students will learn (Family Finger and happy song) and watch the rhymes. Students will practice rhymes and actions with the teacher using electronic keyboard as a resource and explore the percussion instruments.

Arts: The students will continue painting with different objects like leaves, toys, and earbuds,

PE: Students will be engaged through fun games, pick and place and ball games.

Dance: Students will be learning elements of dance (Action and Time) like free movement which are not paced, leg movements on right and left directions, hands and legs combination and tempo fast and slow.

Happenings Month Ahead

School Reopening Day: 4th January

Special assembly : Sankranti - 12th January

Sankranti Break: 13th January to 16th January

PYP Parents Informative Session : 21st January

PYP Hyderabad Network Athletics Meet: 24th & 25th January

Republic day: 26th January

Job-Alike Session: 28th January

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