



December 2020

“Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world.”

- Nelson Mandela

Dear Parents,

As we enter the New Year, we look back over the year that has gone by. It is both inspiring and heartening to see our progress and accomplishments as well as the individual growth and development of each student within the Centre. We owe much to the dedication and commitment of our wonderful team of teachers who have invested a great deal of effort, hard work, creativity and personal initiative to ensure that the curriculum caters to multiple intelligences, learning styles and readiness levels of each student in the virtual setup.

Education World Pre-School Ranking

IELC once again ranked among the top Preschool Education Centre's in Bangalore, this year ranking NO. 2 in Bangalore. We received no. 1 in six of the parameters of PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT, INFRASTRUCTURE PROVISION, COMPETENCE OF TEACHERS, LEADERSHIP QUALITY, SPECIAL NEEDS EDUCATION AND SAFETY AND HYGIENE. We were pleased and proud to accept this award as it is demonstrative of the dedication of our dynamic team. Thank you IELC parents for your continuous support, our little curious eaglets- You make us WHO WE ARE.

News from the classrooms:

Nursery:

In Nursery children were introduced to role plays and various Social Emotional Skills. They enjoyed pretending to take care of the baby. They enjoyed feeding the baby using their sensory bins. Children used chairs to make a tunnel and worked on their gross motor skills. New songs like “Pat a Cake “and “Humpty Dumpty” was introduced to children. They enjoyed using play dough to make the cake and a big wall for Humpty Dumpty. We ended our Unit of Inquiry “ Animals” and are gearing up to begin transportation.



Reception

This month children in Reception children learnt about the celebration “Christmas”. They learnt how is Christmas celebrated around the world differently, the colours and objects associated with Christmas. Biophilia and Junkyard activities were and children made card box reindeers and gingerbread man house. We ended our second Unit of Inquiry with our end of unit presentation.

In Math children had fun pretending to be a grocery seller. They not only used their communication, fine motor skills but also identified the numbers on the money. Number 9 and 10 were introduced to children and pre-math concept of big/small, far/near were recapped in the month of December.

In Language children were introduced to the letter sound /r/ and /d/. While introducing the letter sound /d/ children used different objects from around the house and pretended to be drummers. They made their own music and music patterns. We read the books “Caps for Sale”, where children empathized with the cap seller. They used their imagination and problem solving skills to help find ways to get the caps back from the cap seller.



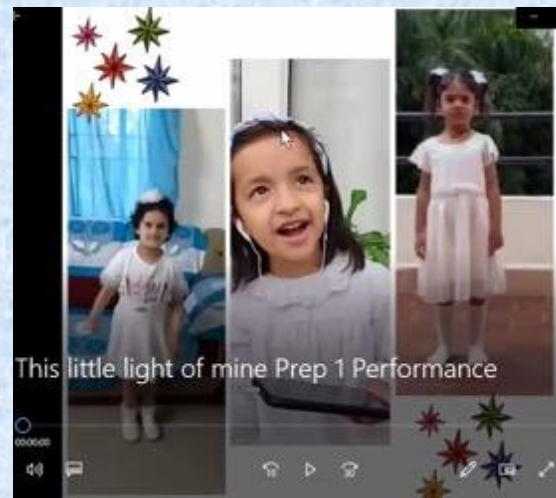
Prep 1

Prep1 students did a wonderful performance in the Christmas Celebrations on 10th December 2020. From solo keyboard performances for Jingle Bells, to singing Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer and This Little Light of Mine song, enacting the Class Reader's Theatre production of Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer to What Christmas means to me. bringing in the Christmas spirit of joy.

We would like to thank Batika (parent of Arya Khana) and Roopa (parent of Aradhya) for presenting their childhood games to Prep1 students. From Posham pa, hopscotch, Seven stones, Marbles (Goli), Gilli Danda to Lattoo etc. giving students a wide perspective of the traditional games played in their childhood.

In Language, students have been confidently blending cvc words with short vowel sounds in the middle. In Math, students were introduced to numbers 21-25. Students this month have been introduced to backward counting through stories and play based activities. In the Playways unit, students played online with their buddies. Students also presented the game they played with their Buddies and how they felt while playing the game.

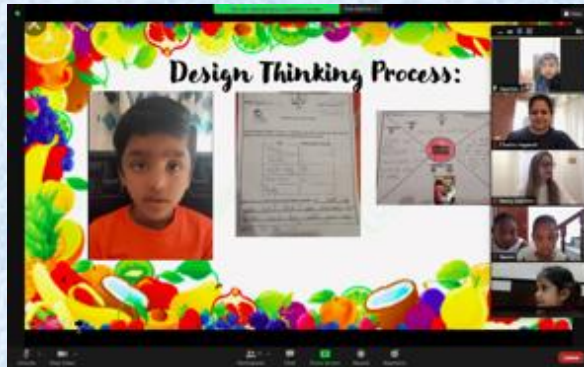
This month in Deep Reading sessions students were introduced to more Learner Profiles. Being a thinker and an inquirer, in a more contextual manner - through stories and activities. In Junkyard class, students created their own game using different Junkyard materials. Each game was unique and creative!



Prep 2

Prep2 Students had their End of Unit Celebration "All living things depend on food as a shared resource". All children participated enthusiastically to show what they learnt during this unit they talked about the 5 food groups, the importance to have a healthy, balance diet and how to take responsibility on food wasting. Prep 2 had a live fireless

cooking with our grade Chef Avyaan Bansal who made a well-balanced snack while explaining all the benefits of each ingredient on the snack.



Grade 1

Soaking in the spirit of holiday season, Grade 1 IELC-W celebrated the virtual festival of Christmas.

Everybody dressed in vibrant Christmas color, the students sang melodious songs, played the beautiful piece on the keyboard, followed by the Christmas play with a special message "Happiness is complete when we give more than we receive". On the note of gratitude we ended the celebrations with the song 'Feliz Navidad'.





Important dates in January

January 4th, Monday, 2021– School reopens after winter break

January 13th, Wednesday – Sankranthi / Pongal celebration at school

January 14th, Thursday– Sankranthi Holiday (Subject to change)

January 26th, Tuesday– Republic Day holiday

January 29th, Friday – Mufti day

Another year is ahead of us and we are excited to welcome the coming year with lots of hope for better times, love, and happiness. A new year is an opportunity to start afresh we pray it brings in prosperity and good luck for the entire year. Here's wishing you all a great new year filled with love, happiness and peace.

Warm regards and best wishes:



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