



GRADE : KG 1

WEEK : 15th May – 19th May, 2016

WEEKLY UPDATES

This week was a special one, with the Kindergarten celebrating Science Week. The children participated in a variety of activities and experiments that facilitated learning outside the classroom.

DAY 1 - HYGIENE HERO

We started off the Science Week with a sing-along session with an all time favourite, 'Wishy Washy song' on washing hands. Each section decorated a poster collaboratively and promised to be a 'Hygiene Hero'. This became a vital talking-point for a very interesting discussion on the importance of personal hygiene. Children were introduced to a story, 'Germs Are Not For Sharing'. They were taught the basic etiquettes to be followed in our daily lives to maintain personal hygiene.



DAY 2 - LEMONADE DAY WITH MUM & DAD

Summer has set in and what better way to beat the heat than by sipping on some tasty lemonade? We began the week on a juicy note by treating ourselves to some refreshing lemonade. Our little Kindergarteners were thrilled to celebrate the much awaited Lemonade Day, as part of our Science Week, where they prepared lemonade all by themselves! It was a treat to witness our little chefs in action, along with their parents - squeezing lemons, adding water, sugar, salt, stirring it up and then treating themselves and everyone around the school, to the most some delicious juice.



DAY 3 - FIELD TRIP TO HYPERPANDA SUPERMARKET

The students were taken on an educational field trip to HyperPanda Hypermarket. They saw the different varieties of fruits and vegetables, first hand, as they were encouraged to feel, smell and touch them. It proved to be a discussion-enhancing trip as they shared the facts that they experienced, with each other. It provided the opportunity for students to observe and explore using their 'Five Senses' in an authentic and real life setting. This was the perfect wrap up of the topic done in Unit 1.



DAY 4 - SMALL MOUTH PROGRAMME

We had visitors from our friends 'Drs. Nicolas & Asp' who introduced the children to the importance of brushing their teeth and flossing every day. They were shown stuffed toys and a big model of a mouth piece to demonstrate how they need to brush their teeth, including the back, the front and all around. The children had lots of fun and it reinforced what they already knew with reference to healthy eating. The children were very excited to receive special goodie bags as a take away gift.



DAY 5 – EXPERIMENTS WITH MIXING COLOURS AND CANDY FLOSS

The last day of our Science Week was full of experiments that were fascinating and intriguing. The children made candy floss with a twist - a twist of colour, that is. They were enthralled to see the candy floss machine transform the hard solid sugar granules to a soft, sticky texture. The students then moved on to mixing different paint where they were thrilled to experiment and try out the ideas that each teacher had planned for them.



HYGIENE HEROES OF KG1



LEMONADE DAY



FIELD TRIP TO HYPERPANDA



SMALL MOUTH PROGRAMME



COLOUR MIXING AND COTTON CANDY



GENIUS HOUR

The primary purpose of Genius Hour is to promote collaboration and critical thinking, by encouraging children to explore their creativity with out-of-the-box thinking.

The topic for Genius Hour was 'Exploring Sounds'.

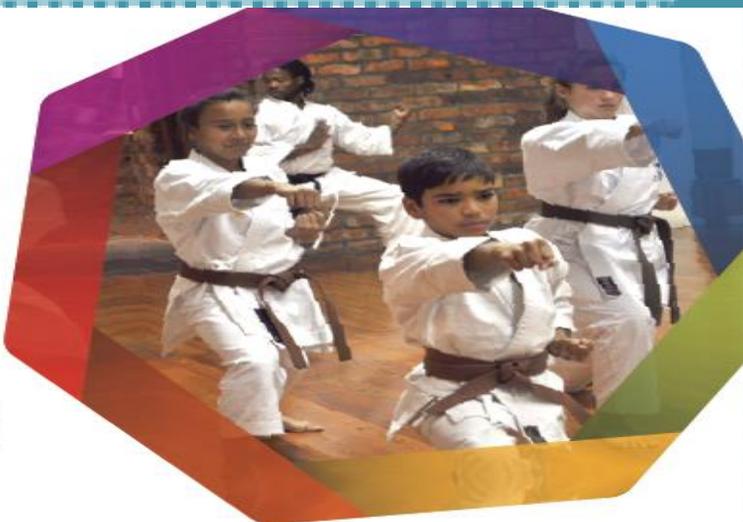
The students created their own musical instruments using recyclable materials which are on display in every class.



Term 1, 2016



GOJU KAI KARATE ACADEMY



What is Goju Kai Karate?

Goju Kai Karate is an art form and discipline that offers the benefits of Self Respect, Self Defence, Fitness Energy and Vitality, as well as Confidence and Character Development. By constantly breaking pre-conceived mental and physical barriers, a student will learn the power of persistence and come to realise that whatever they set their sights on, they can achieve. The ultimate aim of the art of karate lies not in victory or defeat, but in perfection of the character of its participants.

Who is the programme for?

The GEMS Goju Kai Karate Academy accept students from grade 1 upwards. The programme is for students aged from 4 to 18 who wish to develop their karate and leadership proficiency.

The key features of the programme

- All instructors are Japanese graded and have international instructors qualifications
- The head of the Goju Kai Karate Academy, Peter Brandon - Vice President of Goju Kai International
- The programme technical director of the Goju Kai Karate Academy, Frank Brandon Shihan - multiple World Champion
- Member of WKF (World Karate Federation) recognised by the IOC (International Olympic Committee)
- All registered students will have membership to the IKGA (International Karate-Do Goju Kai Association) one of the most authentic global organisations in the world, with its head office based in Japan
- Students will have the opportunity to travel to Japan and Europe on cultural exchange tours to grade and compete in tournaments
- 10 weeks programme, 1 session each week

What will it cost?

Please contact your school for fees and scheduling.

Join the Goju Kai Karate Academy today!

To register, enrol and make payment for the programme, please visit your school's cashier office.

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KG1 Topics Covered from 15th May – 19th May, 2016

ENGLISH

- Vocal Sounds
 - To distinguish between the differences in vocal sounds
 - To explore the different sounds that we can make with our voices
- Pre-writing skills
 - Standing lines, sleeping lines and slanting lines

MATHS

- Pre number concept: Heavy and Light
- Identify the numeral '1' and write the number with correct formation

SCIENCE – SCIENCE WEEK

- Hygiene Heroes
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Y-3xDFaGk5M>
- Lemonade day
- Field Trip
- Small mouth
- Experiments & observations on Colours & making Cotton Candy