





Tran Ngoc Dien Talk

'Imagine what I feel' - Transitions

What a wonderful Term 3 we are having exploring the topic "Imagine what I feel"; exploring our emotions, our imaginations, and the sense of touch. The children have engaged fully in all the topics (especially enjoying learning about animals!) they have explored within their classes throughout the year. They have done so by asking questions about the world around them (how and why things happen), expressing their creativity through art/craft, finding their voice and sharing their ideas and special items through 'Show and Tell', extending their social and communication skills through social play with friends, and developing their self-confidence and independence as their personal skills develop. As a team at Tran Ngoc Dien it has been a pleasure to have shared this journey with your children this year and we are proud of each child's personal development.

As we near the end of the year we will also reflect on the year we have had together, the skills and confidence we have developed during this time, and begin to look forward to what is ahead; holidays with family, a move to a new class/school/house/country, saying goodbye to good friends and making new friends, or preparing for the arrival of a sibling. An exciting, yet at times daunting, time of change.

Transitions for children can be an anxiety provoking experience, yet when supported can be a positive and growing experience, enabling children to deal confidently with transition and new challenges. It is important to prepare your child for these important changes in their life by involving him/her in your plans, through reading books together about moving to another country/moving to a new school/or having a new family member, visiting their new school together, and by talking about your own emotions - are you excited, sad, happy?

At Smartkids, we prepare the children who will move in August to the 'Big Kids' class for this important transition by introducing them to their new room in the final weeks of term, so that they are familiar with this space and teachers when they return to class in August. The children who will move from our 'Big Kids' class to International primary schools have already commenced visits with their SmartKids friends and teacher so that they are familiar with where they will be going next year and which SmartKids friends will be joining them there. For children who will be moving to another country, in class we will be discussing where they are going and provide avenues for them to share their emotions about such a big change.

Thank you to all the parents for your support throughout the year.

We have had lots of fun and we wish you all a safe and enjoyable summer holiday break and look forward to seeing you back in the new school year.

Orientation and coffee morning

Our new SmartKids year will begin on Friday 14th August 2015

with a coffee morning from 9.00—11.00am for all children and parents to meet their teachers and friends. We look forward to seeing you after your holidays!





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Smartkids dates:

*Last day of Term 3:

17th June 2015

*Orientation morning for new vear:

14th August 2015 (9-11am)

*First day of new SmartKids year:

17th August 2015

*Vietnam National Day:

2nd September 2015

*Half-term holiday:

12-16th October 2015

*Non-children day:

19th October 2015

*Last day of Term 1:

18th December 2015



Summer camp

Smartkids will hold a 'Time travelling' Summer camp from <u>29th June</u> <u>-31st July</u> for SmartKids children aged 2-6 years. Held at our Street 10 location over 5 weeks (8.00am - 12.00), it will be filled with fun activities exploring different periods of time. Register now to guarantee a place for your child.

