

News from the Blue Group

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Welcome back to the second newsletter of this school year! Since the last newsletter we had Christmas celebrations, Lan Anh joining us from the Green Group and the birthdays of Natalia and Harold. Natalia's birthday was on November 18 & then Harold's birthday which we celebrated earlier in December while we were still in school. Lan Anh came to visit the Blue Group as part of our "getting used to a new class" routine but never left! She wanted to stay, so from day two Anh stayed.

At the same time the kids in the Blue group made a snowman; to them, christmas is when there is snow, so there should be a snowman. They needed three big balls, a lot of newspaper and even more glue:



Lan Anh
joining us..



Traditional celebrations and Santa on Skype!

Because our themes are centered around us and our world, we asked parents to come and tell us about Christmas celebrations in their countries. On the fifth of December we started with Saint Nicholas celebrations. Isa and Harold's mums came to 'Show & Tell'. After that we had Hanukkah which Or's mum came to show and play. After Or's show&tell we had a 'date' with Santa: we called him on Skype to ask when he would come to Smartkids. Santa told us he was hurt and had to use a walking stick, which we found for him and both the Blue & Red groups decorated it for Santa.. Closer to Christmas Natan's mum told us about Mikolaj, the Polish Saint Nicholas. A BIG Thank You to all the parents for your support and your Show & Tell!!!



Bye Santa!! See you soon!



When Santa came, everyone was excited! He was so happy with his new walking stick. Edward, Or and Milo tried out the chair for Santa, making sure it was comfortable. Our snowman joined in too.. When Santa had left us, we had a very delicious buffet!! Everybody tried something of every plate and ate well!!



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Exploring...

After the holidays we talked about our houses, where we lived and how we could make houses. The children used recycled materials to build their own buildings, and decorated them. We have a hospital, some hotels, a school, a tower and some houses. They also learned about round-about, streets, and street crossings. We decided to make our own city! The children placed their houses/buildings everywhere, then we drew the streets and round-about. Next we made trees, then people. The children wanted to include Pinkies' house and street and soon found out that they were too big: the scale was different! So they decided to put the house and street nearby. This is a math's learning point as well as deciding how big things should be in relation to each other.



The buildings & the streets



Isa & Nele 'fixing' the trees and grass



Kaia, Edward & Nele sorting their trees



What do we need to do next?



Bye Dragon, Hello Snake!!



On February 7 we went to Smartkids Tran Ngoc Dien to watch a dragon dance performance. The Lion came close to the children at times but they weren't scared! After the show, everybody posed together with the dragon & the lion.



Did you know??

Our Parent/Teacher Meetings will be held in the week of 18 to 22 March!
Please sign your name in the slots of the schedule in the hall.

We hope you enjoyed the news and pictures. Our last news letter will come in June!
Greetings from the Blue Team: Ms. Monique & Ms. Thanh ; -)