# **Kinderland Times**



To provide excellent and quality educational programmes and services Welcome Note from the Head of Pre-School

#### Dear parents,

Shubo Noboborsho! We have reached summer at the end of our term 3! We are pleased to say that we were finally able to switch from the online platform to in-person schooling. We believe education is a shared commitment among motivated students, dedicated teachers and enthusiastic parents - all playing a role towards a comprehensive learning environment. As you all have witnessed this term was full of events and celebration. It commenced with our annual Art Festival and ended with 'Pohela Boishakh' or Bengali New Year celebrations. The Art Festival was a great success, and it showcased the hard work, dedication and commitment of the whole Kinderland family. Thank you to everyone that supported our Art Festival Fundraiser, we have raised a grand total **of 36500 taka** for our charity! Our teaching staff have also been busy renewing their knowledge, attending in house training

sessions via Zoom offered by our franchise Singapore Kinderland. This term, we approached learning through approaches such as 'Large group concept teaching', 'Small-group learning corner teaching', 'Learning Corners & Resources', and 'Classroom displays and display of children's work'. As one of the leading leaders in early childhood education in South East Asia, Kinderland believes Teachers' Training Programs will not only deliver fundamental education but also new methodologies in order to lay the foundation for an improved and promising educational system.

Thank you to all the parents who came to attend the parent teachers meeting. It was a great opportunity to meet and talk with you all in person. From your collective feedback it appears the upgrading of the playground is a priority for many parents. Of course, we consider the playground to be a place of great enjoyment and engagement for the children. I would like to assure you that we have listened to your concerns and are now making plans to make a major upgrade to our playground this summer. Stay tuned for all the exciting updates! Over the coming weeks we will be actively preparing for the Annual Concert and Graduation Day. I look forward to formally celebrating the children's accomplishments at their Graduation in June. Wishing you all a very happy and prosperous Eid.

Eid Mubarak,





**QUOTE OF** 

THE MONTH:

learning is that

no one can take

– B. B. King

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#### Dates to Remember 10<sup>th</sup> April beginning of Term-4

- 14<sup>th</sup> April Bangla New Year.
- 21 April to 5<sup>th</sup> May Eid
  Vacation.
- 15<sup>th</sup> May Bouddho Purnima.
- 18<sup>th</sup> June Annual Concert.
- 7<sup>th</sup> July PTM for Term- 4.



## ART FESTIVAL, CHILDREN'S DAY & INDEPENDENCE DAY



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## Pre-Nursery



we are learning through play!

#### Dear Parents,

The third term is over! The journey was quite remarkable. We started our journey online but ended it in-person with great success. The children had great fun interacting over exciting activities.

For term 3, our theme was "My Neighborhood", where children learned about shared places in the neighborhood. It was very charming to see them dancing while singing the songs such as "Around the Neighborhood", "Five Cakes", "Riding in my car" and "Stop at the corner". We used picture cards to help them identify facilities such as the hair salon, medical clinic and neighborhood police post. One of the students shared that her favorite place is the Library and that she loves to read Disney books and likes the story Cinderella. Kids have not only shown their aptitude for recognizing places in the neighborhood but also demonstrated their knowledge of different professions such as teacher, dentist, postman, and police man.

As a part of our activities, kids were involved in making their own shopping sign boards such as "Flower Shop", "Bakery Shop" using their imagination. We can tell you every single work was unique!

Throughout the theme we have emphasized the use of courteous words that represent good customer service, for example, Thank you, Welcome, Please, Sorry etc. Among all the theme-based activities the most fun one was recognizing different signs using maps and routes around their neighborhood, e.g. traffic lights, signs that are used in the roads, different vehicles that people use for travel, emergency signs, zebra crossings etc. We have been engaged in making Sailboats using sponge, straws etc. to get the concept that a sailboat uses its sails and wind to move on water.

In the sixth week we celebrated Children's Day and the birthday of Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman. The PN kids wore the color orange to symbolize their rights in society. The day was filled with fun activities like playing games, watching movies, making cards & crafts. We also celebrated Independence Day and our Art Festival. Our little PN artists made stencils of giraffes and elephants on the canvas and played their part for charity. By doing this they got to appreciate the concept of 'giving' and helping those in need, from a young age.

I can't wait for the next term which will be full of fun. We are trying our best as always and thank our parents for their continuous support. Looking forward to another term of fun and learning.

Thank you,

Class Teacher.

#### 5 Steps to Sun Safety

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2. <u>Apply sunscreen properly.</u> Generously apply sunscreen 20-30 minutes before your child goes out in the sun. Choose a sunscreen with SPF (Sun Protection Factor) 15 or higher. Reapply sunscreen every 2 to 3 hours, or after sweating or swimming.

3. <u>Cover up.</u> Wearing protective clothing and hats is one of the most important ways of warding off UV damage. And don't forget the accessories: sunglasses with UV protection to guard against burned corneas, and hats to prevent sunburned scalps and faces and carry a large umbrella.

4. <u>Keep watch on medications</u>. Some medications increase the skin's sensitivity to the sun, so make sure to ask your doctor whether your child may be at risk.

5. <u>Set a good example for your kids.</u> If your child sees you following sun-safety rules, he'll take them for granted and follow suit.

### **Sharing Class Activities**



## Nursery



**Sharing Class Activities** 

#### Dear Parents.

The classroom plays an integral part of a growing child. As children have started attending in-person school we can see the differences in their learning process. We are happy to see our little toddlers becoming more confident in their journey in knowledge. It has been a fun-filled journey with our young learners whose curiosity for learning in the classroom amazes us! In this term the theme was, "Equipment & Safety at Home", and under this theme we have introduced different kinds of household equipment such as cleaning, kitchen, electronic and entertainment equipment. Through our unique teaching techniques, they gained knowledge about the different utensils, and pieces of equipment that are used in their daily lives. We have introduced the theme song "When I am hungry what I do" through which they learned about the names of different equipment names through singing. As a result, we have observed that the kids were responding spontaneously using the vocabulary they picked up on. We are also really happy to inform you that our capable kids are becoming more confident in learning the relationship between letters and their sounds during the phonics period.

In terms of Logical Thinking, our little intellectuals have now improved their arithmetic skills such as through the comparison of sets of objects in terms of smaller/bigger, more/less, and more. They have also learned about positions and how to name their proper terms, for example, above/below, inside/out, etc.

As you all know we have introduced our new Bangla book. We have observed that the kids have shown their enthusiasm for Bangla and are immensely enjoying learning the Bangla alphabets and vocabulary.

In Kinder fit we did some fun activities such as 'Super Juggler'where they balanced balloons with hands, 'Keep it Going'- where they practiced hopping, leaping, bowling, and 'Jumping using feet and hands in Various Ways'- where we played hopscotch.

This term was filled with many exciting events and festivals. The enjoyable events that we had were filled with effervescence, as we all worked together for the preparation of each event. While preparing our kids for these events we emphasized on talking about the importance of these events and festivals. As a result, they now understand the significance of the day celebrated, and showed respect for the history of the occasions!

We had a great term with our little capable kids and look forward to another great term ahead. Regards.

#### Class Teachers.

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#### Dear Parents,

Just like new flowers bloom at the end of winter to mark the beginning of spring, our little students have bloomed to their full potential at the onset of this term. We are proud to say our k1 students have successfully completed term 3. During this term we have covered the theme "**Countries of The World**" under which kids got the opportunity to explore the world through new eyes.

Through a PowerPoint presentation, our children learned about the different continents and were able to recite their names with the help of the "Continent rhyme". Using a globe, kids identified the size of various continents and the ratio of land to water on Earth. Kids were amazed to see the difference in size among the continents. It was wonderful to see how one of the confident students was able to observe that the size of the continent Australia is smaller than that of Antarctica! Overall, the kids interacted well on this theme and happily shared their personal experiences of visiting different countries and tasting different cuisines. I am happy to conclude that our students are very confident in their communication and imagination skills.

Confident kids are now able to recognize the math operation by looking at the sign of '+' and '- '. Kids have been busy using the model clock in the LG corner to set the hour hand and minute hand of their daily routine. They have even learned to look at the clock to distinguish the time for the next lesson! It is truly gratifying to see the kids grabbing different concepts and relating them with practical life.

In science, they learned about certain domestic animals that may be kept at home as pets. They were absorbed as they learned the ways in which pets have to be taken off. They were surprised to know how pets need a warm, safe, and sheltered place to live, adequate food, water and when sick need to be taken to the vet. They were also amazed to know different ways in which animals take care of their babies.

Among all the events that we have celebrated this term, Children's Day was very meaningful to our little ones. They went back home with big smiles on their faces as they each left with a fun goody bag.

This academic session we have focused on Bangla Language and our aim is to help them learn the Bengali alphabets, recite poems with correct pronunciation. We are glad that they are enjoying and polishing them in Bangla well. We hope that by next term they will be able to read and write simple Bangla sentences. With this big hope I am going to end my newsletter here. I hope to write more exciting news about our students in the next letter. Thank you,

Class Teachers.

## Kindergarten 1

## Sharing Class Activities



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## Kindergarten 2

## **Sharing Class Activities**







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#### Dear Parents,

Welcome to term 3 newsletter! We are truly ecstatic that the situation has allowed us to attend physical school again, the full five days a week! We will continue to abide by necessary safety precautions to provide a safe environment for our students. We are very excited to have our little group of geniuses in our class this year.

Throughout the term we used various teaching methods to implement our new theme, "Connecting with the World". Through this theme the children gained knowledge on our world geography and different cultures around the world.

Our Caring children explored the different facets of diverse cultures through a multitude of activities. Some learned about the different styles of eating in different countries while others practiced common greetings in multiple languages. A group of kids engaged in making fun festive crafts of various cultures. They also learned about traditional clothes such as the garment "sarong", which has many variations in style and is known by different names. Such activities allowed children to be familiar with the lifestyles and backgrounds of different cultures allowing them to appreciate diversity and taught them how to love and respect other people from different races in the society. Additionally, through this exercise they have had the opportunity to practice their language and literacy skills. Now, they are able to speak fluently with clear punctuation using the model sentences.

I am also proud to say that the K2 children have eased into learning Bangla. Simple word formation has been introduced using our new Bangla book with special attention to ensure that every child can read and write in Bangla. The rhyme "Chorai Chorai Shonka" allowed them to learn and remember the name of Bengali numbers easily.

Besides academics, kids have made new progress in other parts of our curriculum, such as in music and Kinder fit. In music, they practiced responding to different rhythms using different instruments such as tambourines, bells, and triangles.

In Kinder fit we have been engaged in an activity "magical fairy" where they explored jumping, balancing, and striking with strong and light movements along with a partner. Through this activity our young students became aware about the fundamental concepts of direction, space, time, peer relations and composure.

Finally, I would like to talk about a great celebration for the children. Every year, we celebrate Children's Day on 17<sup>th</sup> March, as a tribute to the first president of Bangladesh, Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman, known as "Father of the Nation". Our Pre-School children dressed in different colors representing the basic rights of children according to UNICEF. Our K2 kids were involved in preparing cards displaying the rights of a child.

It was a great pleasure for us to see how our children came up with their versatile ideas and thoughts. Thank you

**Class Teachers**