Dear Parents,

It has been another exciting term at Bay View Pre School. Time has passed really quickly. We had a great first term with lots of co-curricular activities along with our ongoing academics curriculum. As you would read in the newsletter about the various school activities, I am sure you would agree with me that our staff have worked diligently to make all of it possible and I would like to take this opportunity to thank them for a job well done.

Finally, as we are all looking forward to the winter vacation, we would like to suggest that you read to your child as well as take some time out for reinforcement of previous work done as this will help your child is getting a head start in the new term.

Here is wishing all a very happy holiday and a very successful New Year!

Naheed Lakhani
Vice Principal

Here are some of the highlights from the month of November – December 2015.
Cooking Activity

The Prep I’s got a chance to make something delicious. They made fairy sandwiches which they took home at the end of the day. It was a fun activity which the children really enjoyed from the cutting to the rolling of the bread and in the end the slicing of the bread was all done by our little chefs.

Yellow Day

The reception classes celebrated “Yellow Day” on Thursday 5th December. The little ones were dressed in beautiful yellow outfits. To keep with the theme the teachers organized plenty of fun activities such as tasting yellow jelly, painting, playing with yellow toys, tasting yellow fruits, using yellow chalk to draw pictures on the floor etc. All these activities help in the reinforcement of colours using all the senses.

Bake Sale

Our Parent Support Group held their first event – Bake Sale on 12th November 2015. It was a great success; a day of fun and delicious food that the children, parents and the staff enjoyed. The raffle draw was the highlight of the event. The toy, books and baked items were all donated by our Pre School Parents

Well Done PSG!
Children’s Day

Children Day was celebrated on 20th November. We arranged for the children from “Social Bond School”, run by an NGO, to join us in this Celebration. Our very enthusiastic parent support group helped us with the arrangement of a lovely event where our little visitors got the opportunity to mingle with our children. The teachers prepared a skit and had interactive songs along session for all the children, which they thoroughly enjoyed. Our children got the opportunity to give each child beautiful goodie bags which they brought from home. We like to thank the PSG and all those parents who donated towards the McDonald meals and goodie bags for our little visitors. As well as the team from McDonald’s who arranged all the games and magic show. Great Job! At the end of the day the students were given special giveaways from their teachers.

Fruit Day

We had a very successful Fruit Day on 23rd November, by our Reception classes. The day started with the selection of fruits arranged in our fruit stall, the children then did the activity of washing the fruit after that they were given the opportunity to taste different fruits and examine the colour, texture, the visual difference in the shapes and colour of seeds etc. the last and most favourite activity was the extraction of juices where the children participated as well as tasted the freshly extracted sap. Fruit yogurt was also on the menu. The giveaway was a healthy bowl of fruit salad. On the whole it was a lovely and most enjoyable event for both the students and the teachers.
Costume Party

The Prep I’s had a costume Party on 1st December. Each child was inspired to dress according to the theme on “Profession”. The parents got creative and designed lovely costumes, the students showed great enthusiasm towards dressing up in very interesting outfits, E.g. Butcher, Astronaut, Vegetable seller and Rock stars were some of the exciting costumes, which paraded on the cat walk especially made for them. The children got photographs taken with their friends and was displayed on our Facebook page. At the end of the day the teachers prepared lovely giveaway for our students to take home. It was truly a great day for our youngsters.

Sports Day

The Sports Day was one of the main highlights of this term which was held on Sunday 6th December. This year the Sports Day was created on a winter theme event. All activities and games revolved around the theme. The children participation in the P.E displays was commendable. The second display was also brilliantly performed by the Prep II student. The Grand march was executed brilliantly by our students and we also had a novelty race for the Reception children who were accompanied by their parents. The Success of the Sports Day goes to all the Staff members, who worked as a team to make this event a success. At the end we had a group game for the mothers and the fathers had an exhilarating time running backwards in the ice-cube race. Thanks to all the parents for being a great sport. The event on the whole was a big success.
Walk a Story

The story “Handa’s Surprise” was done in a thematic way, which was presented to the Prep II’s as a walk a story on 10th December. They experienced the entire story first hand. The children walked through the entire story, experiencing all that the author Eileen Browne wanted the children to feel. The story follows the journey of Handa on her visit to a friend with a basket of fruit and what she experience on the way and the big surprise she gets at the end. The Children were full of anticipation and excited about what would happen next. What a thrill to see the children immerse themselves into the story. I am sure the students will never forget this experience for a very long time.

E-Learning

Interactive white board (IWB) is a child centered resource to enable a better learning outcome in the children. At the Preschool the Interactive Smart Board, was introduced to aid the children learn concepts through direct participation. It has proved to be an excellent tool for teaching children in an informal setting. Each activity is designed to help further consolidate concept taught in class which the students thoroughly enjoy.
Ongoing professional development keeps teachers up-to-date on new research on how children learn, emerging technology tools for the classroom, new curriculum resources, and more. At Bay View we are committed to invest in our teachers so that they in turn can use their professional development to work with students and understanding the individual need of every child.

This year has been particularly stimulating in terms of teacher’s development. Ms. Aisha Saleem, Ms. Sidra Alvi and Ms. Sumera Jivani attended the IBA workshop on “Skills Development of Teachers.” It was divided into six mini sessions held on weekends.

Ms. Tasneem Amir Ali, Ms. Sabrina Amir, Ms. Sana Hassan and Ms. Ayesha Sohail attended a four day workshop at the R.E.A.D Institute. The topic was related to Early Childhood Reading Development.

Ms. Naheed Lakhani and Ms. Sumera Malik (Senior Administrator O-Level Campus) attended a workshop based on HR as Strategic Business Partner.

**Assembly Presentation**

November
There were two presentations in the month of November Prep II-E presented the Winter season theme in which the children presented how winter affects people and animals and Prep I-W presented “A Day at the Circus” which showcased the different performers and their talents.

December
In the month of December Prep II-W presented the four seasons, and how the seasons affect the way we dress. Prep I-E presented the continents in which the students gave vital information about the important places in each of the continents, and students of Prep I-S presented a short skit in which they gave us a message to save the earth and not waste its resources.
Star of the Week

Star of the week will continue into the second term. Parents are requested to avoid bringing in giveaways or goody bags for this activity, your participation in class is the only thing that your child needs. Do share your child’s favourite songs, stories and any activities. your creativity is well appreciated by us and thoroughly enjoyed by our students.

Library Day

This room is the most enjoyable for the students as they get a chance not only to listen to the stories; they also get to watch them on the big screen. The Prep II are designated a library day and we will begin the same with the Prep I’s in the second term.

School Calendar

The Pre School calendar 2016 has been printed with all the children’s art work featuring the twelve months of the year. We would like to thank our teachers and sponsors for the making of the 2016 calendar.

After School Activities

The After school Activities will continue from the month of February, all circular in this regard will be given later.
Upcoming Events

Registration will open for New Admission (Academic Year 2016-17) in January 2016. Please check our school website: www.bayviewpreschool.edu.pk for further details.

We like to take this opportunity to bid farewell to Sania Maqbool as she is pursuing her education in the field of Medicine. We wish her all the best in her future endeavors.

Winter holidays will start from Monday 21st December 2015. School will reopen on Wednesday 6th January 2016.

The Faculty of Bay View Pre School would like to wish you all a Happy and Healthy Holiday Season. Thank you all for your continued support at the Preschool.

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