

MELROSE PARK OSHC BLOG

Term 3 Week 9

DEAR PARENTS



OUR WEEK AT OSHC



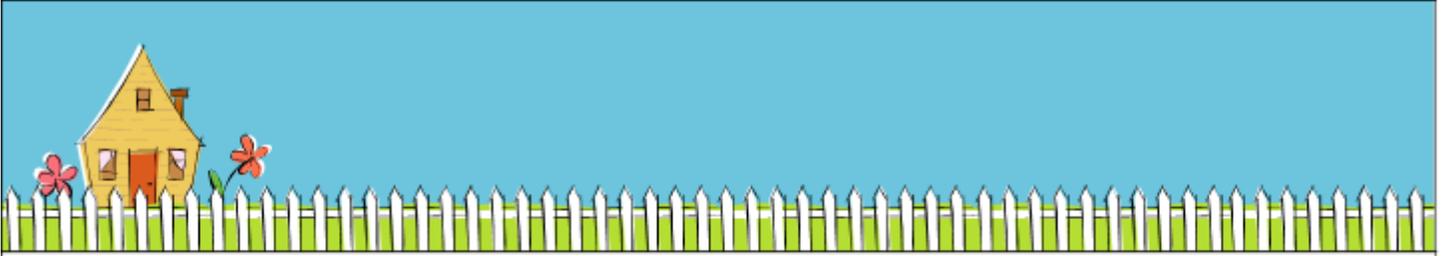
Monday morning craft entailed using play dough to create a construction site. Many of the children enjoyed this activity and worked together to create various elements of construction such as buildings, signs, trucks and bricks. Creative freedom was also offered where the children used tools to roll and squash the playdough into items of their choice.

Monday afternoon was spent outside before the wet weather arrived. The children love spending time in the sandpit and running around on the oval. Many enjoy playing games such as handball and soccer with the OSHC teachers involved. Craft for the afternoon was a continuation of our recycled art. The children have shown a particular interest in this activity by working together to put different items together to create a building or boat.

Tuesday morning began with pastel painting. Using different coloured pearl paints the children created various unique artworks. Many enjoyed mixing the colours together to create a galaxy backdrop for their art. The children enjoyed having the creative freedom to design their own artworks with many opting to use different patterns such as dots, lines and stripes. Giant UNO and Chess is continuing to be a popular choice for quiet morning activities.

The afternoon outdoor activities were postponed due to wet weather. The children were therefore offered the option of playing games in the library or staying in the OSHC room to enjoy a movie or create beading artworks. In the library the children chose activities such as colouring in, the ball and stick construction game and playing racing games with cars. Within the OSHC room many enjoyed using various beading templates to create unique designs that were then ironed after and taken home by the children. Using their fine motor skills and creativity many of the designs included dolphins, stars and love hearts.

Wednesday morning was all about loom bands. It was great to see many of the older children working together to teach each other the basics of how to start and finish the process of creating a bracelet or necklace. Many enjoyed choosing the colours of their jewelry pieces and working together to create friendship pieces. A lot of the children have progressed in their loom band skills and are now able to create 3D versions through using 3 or 4 bands at a time. Wednesday afternoon Volleyball lessons were cancelled this week due to the rain. As an alternative activity the children



played a game of dodgeball in the school hall. Since Volleyball consists of similar skills the children were still able to improve and learn additional moves. Due to the wet weather many of the children opted for indoor activities such as loom bands.

Thursday morning craft entailed using Poly Dough. Using the unique and creative building substance the children were able to build and shape 3D multi-coloured designs. This is a great activity for the children as it encourages creative, unhindered play. The tangible nature of the substance is appealing to the children since it is squishy and soft and can be molded into any shape the children like. Love hearts, balls, cats and waves were shapes often built by the children. Card games are continuing to be a popular activity chosen by the children in the morning. As the weather cleared some of the children were able to go outside and play games of handball.



Friday the children were busy using beading boards to create beautiful patterned pictures. The special breakfast was hash browns which were very popular with the children, some even helped to serve the food to their peers. In the afternoon the children took turns on the equipment, played ball games and choreographed their own dances. Whilst others chose to paint on the tables covered in paper as a group using fluro paints.