

MELROSE PARK OSHC BLOG

Term 4 Week 2

DEAR PARENTS

A big thank you to the Acopian family for their toy donations, the children love and appreciate new/used toys to use in play.



OUR WEEK AT OSHC

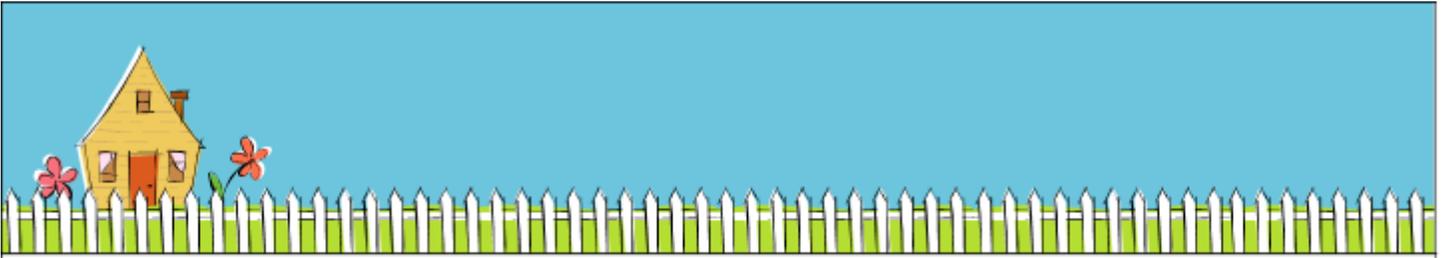


Monday morning kicked off our OSHC Halloween. Witch houses were crafted by the children using paper plates where they were challenged in putting together various pieces of paper to craft a house in which they believe a witch would live in. The variety of houses demonstrated the creativity and imaginative skills of the children where each house was completely unique. Monday afternoon continued on with the Halloween craft where paper ghosts were crafted. Using paper cups and streamers the children had the opportunity to design their own ghost using textures and coloured paper. Having the creative freedom to create their own ghost enabled the children to utilise their individual design skills. Outdoor activities enjoyed by the children included soccer, netball and handball.

Tuesday morning, we got into the Halloween spirit and created Frankenstein crafts. Using green and black paper the children cut, folded, glued, and decorated Frankenstein inspired figures. The final touch was adding googly eyes and scar marks on the face. It was great to see the children working together and assisting others in creating their Frankenstein's. Boardgames and chess have continued to be popular as quiet morning activities as an alternative to outdoor play.

The afternoon was spent outside enjoying the hot weather. Ball games such as soccer and one bounce were played in addition to the play equipment being offered for the children. Exit is a popular game among the children which is a substitute game of tip but on the play equipment. Halloween craft was also offered to the children where many enjoyed the tangible aspect of the activity. Using apple stamped in orange paint the children created pumpkins and then added additional features such as stalks with paint brushes.

Wednesday morning the children created witches using the outline of their hand. The children then created hair and a witch's hat from coloured paper and used a pipe cleaner as the broom. In the afternoon the children enjoyed baking cupcakes and decorating them in a spooky Halloween theme. The children helped to choose the colours of the icing and used sprinkles, edible eyes and pumpkins to decorate with.



Thursday morning the group continued creating spooky Halloween craft this time using paper rolls, paint and paper! The children followed instructions on how to build a bat using the resources and managed to create these crafts without educator's assistance, with the older children helping to guide their younger peers. That afternoon the children made Halloween masks, whilst some children choose to create princess and fairy masks others took a spooky approach to mask making.



Friday morning the special breakfast was crumpets with a choice of spreads and syrups. The children are being encouraged to assist in making and serving their own breakfasts as they learn life skills that will support them in the future. The children asked to play with the foam alive and poly dough that they used to create pretend ice cream cones! That afternoon the group enjoyed outdoor play on the courts where they joined in 'One bounce', hand ball and skipping.

Come in and check out the wonderfully spooky decorations the children have been working so hard on!





Quick look at our program for
week 3!

Monday

- Halloween playdough
- Pumpkin stress balls

Tuesday

- Paper plate spiders
- Paper cup witches

Thursday

- Making Halloween baskets
- Halloween scavenger hunt

Wednesday

- Halloween cats craft
- Masking tape mummies

Friday

- Glitter glue painting
- Play dough spiders