# Art & Music Post



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### February Recap

Welcome to the month of February. Last month we were able to squeeze in an array of learning opportunities. We started the month with a Teddy Bear Picnic for our JK and SK classes where we learned new songs and met puppets named Honey and Sugar. We even had a picnic using pretend food and the children had their very own mini bear that they were encouraged to name. The children also had a chance to act during our picnic, which they loved.

During music the students were introduced to a new concept called "Echo". We used a multitude of songs to reinforce the concept of "Echo" or repeating. During the lesson the children used their own voice or were provided the "Step By Step" to participate.

During Art class we spent a week celebrating famous artists Monet, Picasso and Seurat. During class the children worked extremely hard at recreating some of their most famous pieces. The students met stick puppets that were used to pretend to be the artists noted above. This was a school wide activity that will be showcased during my art show on assessment night.

We finished up the month with the story, "Pete The Cat - I Love My White Shoes". Some of the students were just hearing this story for the first time, while others were asked to retell the story using picture cards. Each card had a picture of the story such as Pete getting into mud (Mud Card) or cleaned by water (Water Card). These picture cards were laid out on the classroom floor and the children re-arranged the cards in the proper sequence to tell the story. Students were also encouraged to touch real strawberries, blueberries and mud to feel they story as we read along. Our senior students learned about clay and how to properly mold sculptures using art tools and kneading. After reading a familiar story "Polar Bear, Polar Bear", the students were asked to choose an animal from the story and create a clay mold resembling that animal. Lastly, the students were introduced to a painting technique known as water colour painting. The children created beautiful pieces of art that were absolutely amazing.

We are looking forward to March

Stayed tuned for more updates.

Mrs. T.

## CHALKBOARD

#### **Books Read:**

"Polar Bear, Polar Bear" By: Eric Carle

"Pete the Cat - I Love My White Shoes"

By: James Dean and Eric Litwin

"Pokko and the Drum" By: Simon and Schuster

"My Somebody Special"

By: Sarah Weeks

#### Songs

- . Going on a Bear Hunt
- 2. Teddy Bear Picnic
- 3. Beebot the Bear
- 4. Cool Cat

#### Apps Used:

- 1. Toca Band
- 2. Doodle Buddy
- . Piano Maestro
- 4. PBSKIDS

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