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Spring Newsletter 2010

Hello everyone – please find below a review of the first term of Kids4Arts along with Summer term dates!

Kids4Arts in review

It has been wonderful starting off Kids4Arts with such a fun group of children. Looking back to the beginning of the term in January, I think the children have done a great job getting to know each other and working together, along with trying the new activities in drama and art. It is great to see them settled and comfortable in the building.

Here are some of the activities that the children enjoyed the most.

In our first session the children were new with each other but did really well sitting in a circle sharing names and starting to do simple games such as Simon Says. One drama activity that they really enjoyed was pretending to do shopping with one person at a till with the others taking turns shopping for a meal. They did a great job in this role play.

In the following weeks we practiced making facial expressions together and then reading "The Little Red Hen." This was a lot of fun, sharing some lines and using the props for different parts. It was also great to get the new fruit mats to sit on while we did this. Some of the favourite activities during the first half term involved the parachute, the Jelly fish game and creating cards by tracing our hands.

In the second half of the term we focussed on American Indians and creating a great scene

with speaking parts, and many different pieces of art work. In the drama scene the children pretended to be American Indians, creating their own teepee, building a fire, cooking food, hearing the sounds of animals and even following their tracks! This was a lot of fun. Each week we built on this theme. A favourite part in the drama was sharing their thoughts about needing a fire, building one up and then eating together around it. Another great part was following the animal tracks; they did so well tiptoeing away from the rabbit, walking away from the duck, and running away from the bear! Their art work was well enjoyed too; particularly the rattle and choosing the type of sounds they wanted to make with them.

facebook It was great getting some pictures of the group and opening a Facebook page half way through the term. Now that it is there I will hopefully be using it more often, letting you know what the activities will be before each session.

I really enjoyed the term and am looking forward to next term and the drama scenes and art activities that go with it.

Summer term dates

Apr: 21st, 28th. May: 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th. Jun: 9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th. July: 7th, 14th, 21st.

Have a lovely break!

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Child's name _____

Parent's name _____

Please reserve a place for my child for the Summer term, for the discounted price of £40 for thirteen sessions (normal price £45.50). Cheques payable to Sheila Gosling please.