

Learn About Lanterns for Lantern Festival

Lantern Festival, also called Yuan Xiao Festival, is coming tomorrow. This holiday is commonly celebrated in China and some other Asian countries that honours deceased ancestors on the 15th day of the first month (Yuan) of the lunar calendar.

The Lantern Festival aims to promote reconciliation, peace, and forgiveness. But these are big notions for young children. So, today, Miss Sue only introduced some facts about lanterns to them, and invited them to imagine what feelings a lantern could bring to them during a dark cold night. Many children conversed with her confidently. They used some of the emotional vocabularies that they learned before to answer her, for example, Chloe said Happy, and Mia L said Warm and Bright. They all nodded for Safe and Secure, and looked amazed to see the little light could change people's mood so quickly. In conclusion, Miss Sue taught the children, the lanterns in Lantern Festival were good wishes for bright future.

Tomorrow, the children will join Miss Sue to make some Yuan Xiao (also called as Tang Yuan) — small glutinous rice balls filled with fruits and nuts, a traditional food for this festival — during their morning group time.

— Miss Sue



After having some discussions about Lantern Festival and Lanterns, children were offered an opportunity to watch an educational video clip about it. They explored many new concepts and new terms. Even though they couldn't understand those information fully, but they developed increasing awareness, appreciation, and inclusion of diverse beliefs and cultures for their own social skills building up.

— Miss Sue



Watching An Educational Video Clip About Lantern Festival





Later in the morning, children sat down at the tables with Miss Cathy. They used the scissor skills that they learned during the past a few days, and made lanterns successfully with her. As we could see from the photos, many of them engaged with interest, energy and enthusiasm. For example, Alex and April, they joined Miss Cathy from the very beginning and stayed till the last. They have shown their amazing long attention span for their age. Many children's open-and-close motion became much more skilful — repeating and practicing are always the key for them to learn a new skill.

— Miss Sue

Making Lanterns
For The Class-
room



Ari boy told Miss Sue that his cars went very fast, they broom broom broom, and were having a race.

Evelina tried to put on a hat for her baby. Later, she cuddled the toy kangaroo so sweetly.

Olivia went for her festival shopping happily. She told Miss Sue that she bought herself a big ice cream.

Asher's racing car went up onto a tree and made lots of Pong Pong Pong noise.
Hana Kim put on a safety helmet before start cooking :) — I wonder what type of dish she was going to make :)

Ivan told Miss Sue that his baby brother's name was Archie.
Stella made a seashell soup all by herself :).



Mia L said “this ice cream is for mummy” and “(it has) banana and strawberry flavours”. She also looked after her little pony, and fed it with some juice.

Jazara pretended to call her daddy while looking after a baby at the same time — she definitely grabbed the multitask idea :).

Hanna S looked happy when she found that little car.

Looking at Madison’s smile — when she played the open and shut — made you feel happy too.

Chloe enjoyed having some ice cream that she made by herself.

HahHan happily shared her discovery with Miss Sue and told her that’s money :).

She enjoyed reading a lot — look, how focus she was when she was reading.

Physi Kids class offered lots of fun for the children in the early morning.

Available spots are ready for you to grab for your children :)

— Miss Sue

<u>Zebra's</u>				Staff Name	Sue	Ju	Cathy
				Shift	8.15-4.15	9.30-6.00	8.45-5.15
Date	25.02.2021			Rest Pause	didn't take	didn't take	didn't take
Day	Thursday			Lunch	11.30-12.00	12.55-1.55	12.05-12.50
CHILD'S NAME		Morning tea	Lunch	Afternoon Tea	Rest Time		Clothing
Alex (Alexandra)		All	All	All	12.45	2.10	
April		All	All	All	12.55	2.05	
Ari		All	All	All	11.45	2.17	
Asher		All	All	All	12.26	2.15	
Chloe		All	All	All	Rested		
Evelina		All	All	All	1.20	2.00	
Hanhan (Zhihan)		All	All	All	12.56	2.02	
Hanna (Ying-He)		All	All	All	12.20	2.05	
Ivan		All	All	All	Rested		
Jazara		All	All	All	12.00	1.55	
Jordan		On Holiday	On Holiday	On Holiday			
Madison		Some	All	All	12.25	1.50	
Mia L		Offered	All	All	11.50	1.52	
Stella		All	All	All	11.50	1.43	
Hana Kim		Offered	All	All	12.28	1.50	
Olivia		All	All	All	Rested		
UV Rating		Sun protection recommended from 8:10 am to 3:50 pm, UV Index predicted to reach 12 [Extreme]					
Morning Tea		Fresh fruits (i.e. rockmelon, apple, pear and orange)					
Lunch		Beef korma and rice					
Afternoon tea		Fruits bread with spreads					