



Good afternoon families, welcome to another fun day in the Monkeys room!

This morning after morning tea the Monkeys joined Miss Rebekah on the mat for a group time. First the children sat down and chose their own books to read together. Noah and Sienna read the Alpha Prints 123 book together where they sat and looked at each page and both pointed out different things. Ryan and Zoe also read the same book after. They were both intrigued by the different finger print textures on each page.

Miss Rebekah then came over to read and sing aloud for the children. The first book she read was "Toot Toot". The children seemed very interested in the different sounds the book said such as "Crash, Bang" with Ryan even trying to copy them.

To conclude group time the Monkeys sang some songs. The monkeys love to clap so the first song Miss Rebekah sang was if you happy and you know it where after each verse the children were able to clap their hands and of course what's a group time without the wheels on the bus! The Monkeys are doing amazing at mastering the actions to the song.

- Miss Bree





Today the type of weather the monkeys looked at today was snow/hail.

For art the children gathered with Miss Bree to do some finger/hand painting with white paint to make snow. One by one the Monkeys each had a turn to do art, first was Ryan. Ryan sat and lent straight over for the paint, he took a large handful and splattered it on his paper. Rather than using his finger to make small snow flakes he used both hands to swoosh the paint around the paper.

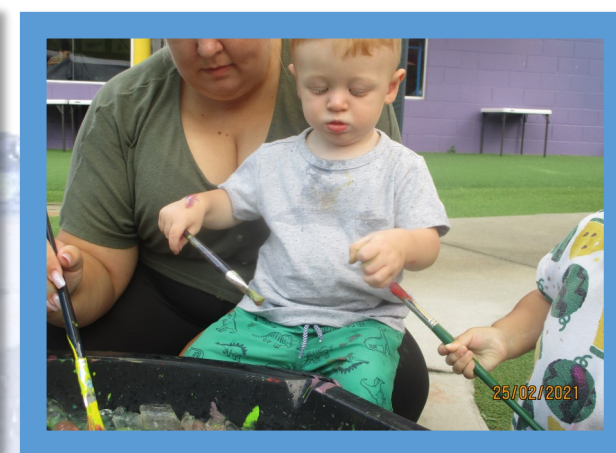
Next was Arlan, he dipped his fingers in to paint and really investigated it by looking and smelling it before he put it on his paper. Arlan stamped his hand on the paper multiple times to create his snow flakes. Sienna was a little unsure about today's art and putting her hands in the paint. She dipped two fingers in and looked at her hand before she put it on the paper. Once she placed it on the paper she then gained so much more confidence and went in for more paint. The Monkeys had a blast scooping and feeling the paint between their fingers.—Miss Bree



For today's sensory the children headed outside to the tuff tray where they discovered it was full of ice which was what we used to mimic hail. The children excitedly rushed over and sat down to play with the ice. To their surprise the ice was very cold but of course this did not stop them from playing.

The Monkeys picked up pieces of ice and of course put them straight in their mouths. Noah really enjoyed sucking and crunching the ice in his mouth.

To make things more interesting the Monkeys were then each given a paint brush with some paint to use in the ice. Charlotte went straight in with the paint and started to paint individual pieces of ice. Oliver also really enjoyed painting the ice. He contently sat the whole time and tried to paint as many pieces as he could. It was wonderful to see the children have so much fun exploring the ice this morning.—Miss Bree







### ATTENTION PARENTS!

As the weather is expected to be very warm over the next few days we please ask you **to pack your child's swimmers in their bag** for ongoing water play. Also a wet bag for us to place your child's wet clothes in. If you do not have a wet bag these can be found at Kmart for only a small price.

We are also going to start phasing out the sippy cups that we have provided so ask that you **please bring in a water bottle for your child clearly labeled with their name.**

Thank you for your cooperation! - Miss Rebekah & Miss Bree