



Kindergarten News

Dear Parents,

Welcome to our second newsletter of this school year. This month, we celebrated the Oktoberfest party at the beginning of the month which was lots of fun for all the children. In the middle of the month, we started our preparations for the Halloween party which was celebrated end of the month with a variety of costumes. Along with that we continued our all-regular activities. We also celebrated three birthdays this month!

What have we been up to?

Highlights:

Oktoberfest Party

It was amazing to see all the children in such a festival mood from the start of the day with their beautiful dresses along with their big smiley faces. We heard from many parents that their children were very excited the whole week about the Oktoberfest party at the kindergarten: Wearing their Dirndl or Lederhose and eating Brezen and sausages! Their wishes were fulfilled from the start of the day; the kindergarten was decorated with the Oktoberfest theme which children crafted by themselves. Oktoberfest special songs were playing in the group room as well as in the Turnzimmer. Oktoberfest special games were organized in the sports room. In circle time they played the game “Brüderchen, komm tanz mit mir” which was very exciting for all of them. Along with the song, everyone joined and danced with a friend in the middle of the circle. Nevertheless, it was also very exciting for them to show their costume to others in circle time.

Arts and crafts

As our regular weekly activities, we did some autumn-themed crafts colourful fall apples with papers and some hedgehogs with the leaves which were collected from the park and garden trees. Children liked it so much that everyone wanted to have their own apples and hedgehogs. All these crafts are visible around the kindergarten windows, doors and group rooms. We also crafted for the Halloween trick-or-treating bags to carry with us on Halloween day. Many children also helped to craft some bags for their friends who were unable to attend the celebration, so that they can receive their trick-or-treat goodies in a festive bag when they return to kindergarten.

Arts with Mayra

Mayra also started her art class this month. She mainly worked with the youngest children with a few of our middle children. She took her time with each child to draw a big maple leaf with ink paints. She also came with some special colourful dough for the art group so everyone can be busy while doing many fun figures with it and she can take her time with each child. Undoubtedly with her instructions children devoted themselves as their best.

Experiments

We conducted two experiments this month as our regular science activities. These experiments were Up-side down water experiment and the Musical glass experiment.

Up-side down water experiment- We used a piece of paper card, a glass, a bowl and a jar with water. At first, we poured water into the glass. Filled it as much as they wanted. Then a bowl was ready in case they could not do the experiment perfectly. After that, the paper card was placed on top of the glass. Then flipped the glass with the hand support and slowly moved away from their hand from the card. They have experienced outside air pressure availability which they did not see before.

Musical glass experiment- For this experiment, we needed a few glasses, water and a spoon. We kept a glass empty and the rest of the glasses filled with different amounts water. The glasses with different amounts of water make different sounds. We hear sounds because the air around us vibrates, carrying the sound to our ears. Hitting the glass causes it to vibrate and make a sound that we can hear. When a glass has little or no water in it, it has lots of air in it. Hitting this glass makes a higher pitch sound than the glass with lots of water. This is because the empty glass only has air around it, so the glass vibrates

quickly when it is hit, causing the high pitch sound. The glass full of water causes the glass to vibrate slower, and the sound you hear is at a lower pitch.

Halloween Party

Children were preparing them for Halloween around two weeks. They prepared their “trick or treat” bags and discussion about their outfits between the circle as well as in private chatting with friends. They gossiped about how cool it will be while everyone dressed in different outfits. On Halloween celebration day we found in the kindergarten was filled with dragons, witches, wild cats, magicians, pumpkins, bat and many more figures. It was very interesting for the teachers to spend a day with different characters. Later in the day we went to kiga, LD office and Freiland Hause to collect our chocolates, stickers and tattoos. It was a very exciting day for the children as well as educators.

Outdoor Fun:

We regularly tried to take our children outside weather in the parks and garden, so they can feel the natural changes in the environment as well increase their physical and mental strength. We went to pirates playground, tunnelrutsche and Hypo-Park this month. Unfortunately, children could not enjoy much in those playgrounds because many of them currently doing under renovation process. However, they were playing swings, tags or group games inside the sandboxes in the park as well as in the garden.

Dates for your Diaries:

- November 11th: Laternenfest at 16.30 in Hypopark

We hope you have enjoyed reading about our month!

Your Kindergarten Team