

Newsletter - **WEEK 5**

Week 5 of Eco-kids Summer Camp was all about **confidence**.

Children learned that to be confident requires you to believe in yourself!

Our weekly project theme Living Planet gave the opportunity to look at all things in life. People, animals, plants, countries, oceans and so much more. How does it all fit together and how does it connect with each and every one of us.

With a positive, creative and open mind, and with respect, honesty and empathy, we can with confidence create positive change in our world!

Our Living Planet belongs to our children and what we do today matters!



Summer Camp Eco - eBook will be published online soon, and a link will be emailed to parents to download the book from Amazon.com.



Student Performance of 'Our Amazing Oceans' VIDEO link will be emailed to parents soon.



Follow this link to see some photos of the campers enjoying week 5:
<https://drive.google.com/drive/u/1/folders/17cyrkR5KhNARg9dU5oCBMdWF5UddPIht>

SPORTS AND TEAMBUILDING

It was campers' choice for the last week of a brilliant summer camp and their decision was almost unanimous: dodgeball, football, gagaball and sharky sharky!

Everyone involved made the most of the final opportunities to have fun with friends old and new and to cap off a memorable five weeks with Inspire Educamps at ISHCMC.



ECO ACTIVITIES



Time flies so fast! We ended our summer camp with the topic *animals*. The kids had a chance to have a live information session with the Wolf Centre in Canada to explore more about wolves, their habitats, and their diet. Along with the video conference, our children learned about how important the herbivores, carnivores and omnivores are to our ecosystem, and they put their imagination onto paper by drawing their favourite animals.

IMPROV

To culminate the end of our adventures, learning journeys, friendships and fun at summer camp, we all worked hard to put together a show that is a hopeful future for our oceans.

The students worked hard on their presentations, chants and songs and showed a very positive attitude towards the performance. To me, getting them all up on stage, showing confidence and ownership of their pieces presented, was the pinnacle of my job, and I am so proud of those who showed focus and commitment on stage.

Great job! Get on Board!



ACTIVITIES

It was the last week of an amazing summer camp! We got ready for the show by making beautiful invitations to let you, the parents, know about our performance! It's always surprising to see how creative and imaginative the kids can be. I'm looking forward to seeing you all next summer!



COOKING

Week 5 – Vanilla Sprinkle Muffins

This week our little chefs learned how to make vanilla sprinkle muffins. These cakes are very easy to make. The students could apply all the techniques that they learned before to make the dessert. The sprinkle cakes were decorated with sprinkles on top AND mixed inside the batter, which made them look outstanding!



EINSTEIN 1

It's week 5 and the excitement is really building up in Einstein 1 class. We have had a busy week learning about the living planet. During this week we have created butterfly painted stamps which have come out beautifully. Each one is its own unique masterpiece. We have created living planet crowns as well as a living planet posters of all our handprints.

For life skills, we spoke about confidence and watched some video clips all about having confidence.

We have had the privilege of watching each and every student grow in confidence over the past weeks and look forward to another great summer camp next year. Summer Camp rocks!



EINSTEIN 2

As summer camp comes to a close, it is bitter-sweet for all our kids. We have learned so much and have made new friends, all while learning about our planet and its ecosystems. Week 5 brought our class full circle with our lessons, learning about the living planet. We made some really exciting projects like homemade kites, our very own rainbow fish and created a poster that is E2's pledge to keeping our earth healthy and happy. As the teachers for E2, we couldn't be prouder of all the work and growth that we have seen from our kids. We will miss every single student that we have had the privilege of having in our class throughout camp. We look forward to seeing everyone back next year, for another fun-filled, AMAZING summer camp. Way to go E2!



EINSTEIN 3

For the final week project, Einstein 3 created their own living planets using balloons. The idea was for them to show what world they want to have in the next 20 years. They drew some pictures of a happy family, animals in land and seas, and trees and houses; and then cut them out and pasted them onto balloons. Each one was very idealistic and creative. They never run out of ideas to come up with amazing projects. Well done!

In life skills, we practiced our parts for the final performance. We encouraged children to be confident for when they got on the stage for the show. The kids knew that they had to be prepared to put in the effort to make the show happen! Everyone showed willingness and participated. It has really been a pleasure working with E3. Until next year kids!



EINSTEIN 4

This week, E4 focused on the living planet and all its creatures. We made origami animals, a handprint globe and earth window sun catchers. Our life skill this week was about confidence. In these lessons we made reflective portraits about what we are good at to boost our confidence and to believe more in ourselves.



EINSTEIN 5

This week, we learnt all about our living planet and its animals. We made stained glass earths to hang in our windows and made 3D folded paper animals with googly eyes. We got the opportunity to design the cover for the camp eBook, and celebrated our camper Ken's birthday with a dance party.

In life skills, we learned about confidence and how to focus on what we are good at. Finally, we prepared for the production by practicing our singing, dancing, and confident attitudes! We will miss this quirky and talented bunch of kids – see you again next year!



EINSTEIN 6



Week 5 has been a busy week focused mainly on getting ready for our big production on Friday. We had some new students join our group which has been a great addition for our dancing and singing.

This week in our project lessons our theme was *Living Planet*. We created beautiful posters pledging our promises to help our planet. We also planted potatoes, garlic and ginger that we started growing last week. Finally, we used natural organic materials like twigs and leaves to create our own products with natural string. We used our imagination and some of our classmates made some beautiful original designs like dolls, dream catchers and headdresses. Finally, in life skills we focused on confidence. We watched a Ted Ed video which introduced us to the topic. We then drew our

own faces and started to write down all the things we are good at to remind us why we should be confident in ourselves.

EINSTEIN 7

Our campers were all busy in week 5. They helped the camp leaders to make the props for the presentation. They joined in the painting and made different balloon fish.

Another project that was successfully done this week was about animal adaptations. Lead questions were asked and answered by E7 campers in their IT class. They worked on researching extinct animals, the cause of their extinction, and thought of what physical changes they could have had to prevent their extinction. They showed an artistic representation of this by making clay models.

E7 campers did so well participating in all the activities and showed confidence singing and acting on stage. I'm so proud of you!



EINSTEIN 8

This week, E8 took the past weeks' themes and put together a shoebox project which depicts how they would like the earth to be clean! They have also learnt about confidence and have reflected on their positive attributes and those of others in order to improve their confidence.



DA VINCI 1

This week, the campers have spent the majority of their time focusing on practicing for the final performance and discussing the life skills of both confidence and time management. There has been much excitement surrounding the play. We made ocean-themed arts and craft, dance scenes and speeches. They were all so excited for Friday's performance. We hope you were all there to see our hard work!



DA VINCI 2

We are so disappointed this week – we don't want summer camp to end! An amazing week was had by all. Friendships are solid now, and understanding of one another are in place.

Drama rehearsals have been challenging, but it was all worth it for the great show we presentation on Friday!

It was so sad to say goodbye to our new friends and colleagues – until next summer!

