

ISHCMC SUMMER CAMP 2020



Newsletter - **WEEK 5**

||| **LIFE**

KEYS FOR SUCCESS

Everything starts with just a thought – think about it!

THINKING + ATTITUDE = RESULT

What is really **important** to me?

How can I set and achieve my goals?
Is it ok to fail?

What do I need to learn to be

successful?

Am I willing to try my best?

Children will learn the simple keys for success which can be applied to their everyday life – **simple is key!**

Project Focus = **THINKING SKILLS**

Life Skills Focus = **KEYS FOR SUCCESS**

Week 5 has been an amazing week at summer camp! The children this summer have really embraced the concepts placed before them which have been carefully designed to help children understand that in life, 'they get to choose'!

This week's focus has again been centered on each individual child, where they think about what is really important to them. Children looked at how their thinking combined with their attitude is what creates results. They now understand that each of us gets to choose the results we want, then all we have to do is **make it happen!**

It has been, and is, a very challenging year for all due to the current and ongoing effects of the COVID-19 Global Pandemic. This, and many other things, we have no choice but to face and manage in the best possible way.

A sincere thank you to all parents that have allowed us the opportunity to share our programme this summer with your children, where our mission was to help them really understand,

How we think is EVERYTHING!



Cooking



Hummingbird cupcakes

For the last week summer camp, we made hummingbird cupcakes. The students were very surprised when they heard the name of the cupcakes, and they wondered if they would use birds to make cupcakes! The main ingredients were flour, egg, mashed banana, cinnamon powder and pineapple. Most students really liked the smell of cinnamon. After baking, the smell and taste of the cupcakes was a real treat for the children as they were excited to share these with their families at home.



Sports & Teambuilding

The final week of camp was a great success and was thoroughly enjoyed by all our campers. This week we focused on giving the campers more responsibility within the Sports activities sessions by utilising what was learnt during our wonderful five weeks together. The campers had opportunities to lead stretches and warm-ups, decide on games to be played and to oversee the games with support from the Sports activities team. The campers showed great involvement and energy levels were still high, even going into our final week.

The Sports activities team would like to thank all the campers for coming to every session with enthusiasm and excitement. We hope they had a fantastic time.

We look forward to seeing everyone again at the next Inspire Educamps summer camp!

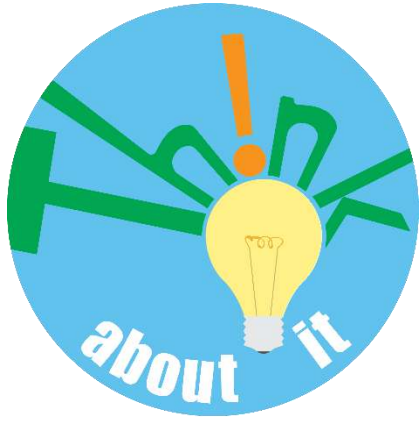


Activities

Summer camp draws to an end and as a meaningful activity, we have created mini terrariums. These little gardens in glass jars were the perfect souvenir crafting items to take back home as a gift for loved ones or to oneself. The children put care and love in these tiny containers and showed concern for the wellbeing of the plants they had selected themselves thus, developing their senses of nurturing and preservation. I hope to see all of our campers next year and hopefully without masks on!



Drama & Performance



I can't express the feeling of wonder and appreciation in each and every participant in this year's summer camp. Our "Think BIG" theme afforded opportunity for every level to create their own performance, each one unique. I am so very proud of all interpretations and the diligence and professionalism the children showed in staging their piece. This will surely shine through in the performance on the last day of summer camp. 'Break a leg!'



Think about it!



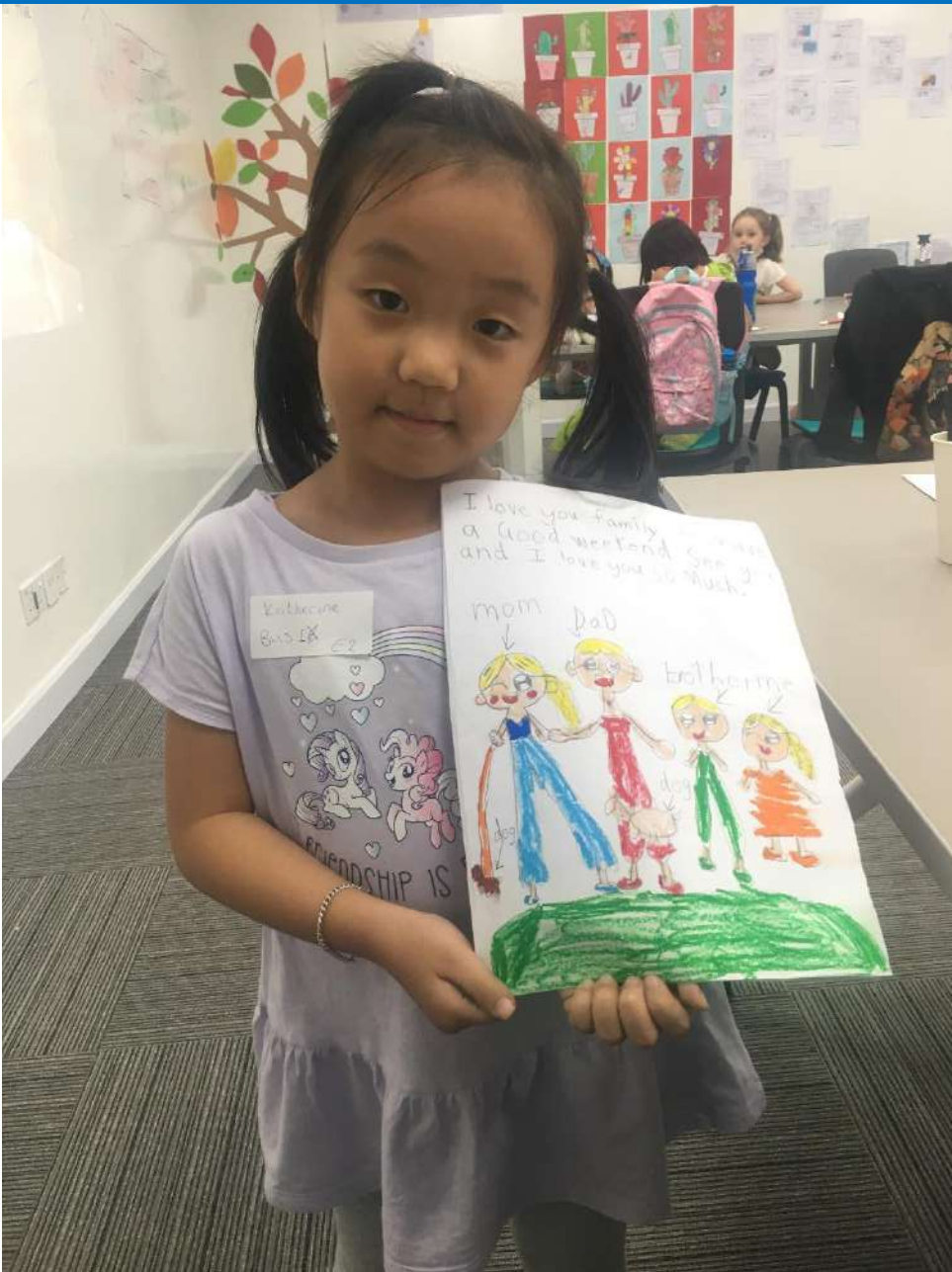
Einstein 1



Another week of Summer Camp done and before we know it, we have reached the end of our five weeks! We have had so much **FUN** making new friends and learning about new things during our time at camp. Einstein 1 has been an absolute **JOY** to spend the last five weeks with and we are going to miss each and every one of the children. This week has been a whirlwind of performance practice, cooking, activities and sport. We did some voice recordings earlier this week for the production and have been putting this all together to give the parents a performance to remember. We have seen some great **TEAMWORK** and **HELPLEFULNESS** from Einstein 1 Group, and we look forward to seeing everyone again next year. We wish you all a year of good health.



Einstein 2



As the final week arrived the busy bees began to get more and more excited for the final production. The week started with voice recordings for the production and we were very happy to see our confident busy bees hit the stage with big smiles and loud voices. The busy bees have been focusing on the camp highlights this week and created beautiful cameras which captured their best memories from camp. These memories included making new friends, playing games in sports and making some amazing food in cooking. It has been amazing watching these beautiful busy bees grow and develop their ways of thinking over the last five weeks. Some have been with us since day one and others for a shorter amount of time, but over these last few weeks we have developed some amazing relationships with these students and watched beautiful **friendships** blossom within our group. The E2 Leaders would like to say a BIG thank you to our amazing students for bringing a little more **sunshine** onto our worlds over the last five weeks. Now go out there and **THINK BIG** E2, there is nothing you can't do!



Einstein 3

Our last week together at summer camp was a blast. In art students made mini plants in jars (which you would have seen, or they may be still in their backpacks somewhere)! During cooking class students made delicious pineapple muffins. Most days the class went to the soccer field and played running races, soccer, frisbee and cartwheels. Students continued with mindfulness meditation for 7 minutes after lunch to relax and calm the mind after a hectic lunch hour. Students spent hours and many rehearsals practicing for the final performance, and we continued with our brain project from week 4. It will be sad to say goodbye to all the students tomorrow after our shared memories over the last few weeks. I hope that I see them all again next year.



Einstein 4

What a fantastic last week with the E4 Group! The theme for this week was ONE LIFE. Campers started the week off by brainstorming what was important to them as individuals. We spoke about setting GOALS to ensure we continue to grow in the aspects of life that are important to us. We discussed *failure*, and its role in our climb toward reaching our goals. Each camper created a 2020 Goals Wheel, brightly displaying what they have set out to achieve this year in the various aspects of their lives. They presented their goals to the class. Another great activity enjoyed by campers was The Longest Chain, whereby the children worked in their groups to create the longest paper chain with just 5 sheets of paper per group. They loved the activity and it was so great to see the groups strategizing, and splitting the workload to ensure efficiency, all while laughing a lot and having fun! Other activities enjoyed this week included creating a little garden in a jar, baking yummy hummingbird cupcakes, and sports activities. Furthermore, campers spent a lot of time rehearsing for the performance. They did such an amazing job and took their roles very seriously. Thank you for a wonderful summer camp 4E Group. Each one of you is AWESOME, and your future is bright!



Einstein 5



This week, E5 focused on the topic of One Life. In Project Sessions, we discussed the keys for success and set objectives that we want to achieve in the future. In groups, we built skyscrapers where the top represented success. We stuck our objectives and desired character traits up the sides of the towers. Much of the week surrounded preparing and practicing for the final performance on Friday. The children took to the stage holding puppets and signs, united in song. It was fantastic to see such maturity and courage on stage from our future leaders. In activities, the class made ornamental plants and they looked beautiful. In Cooking, they made pineapple, raisin and cinnamon cupcakes which went down a treat! Furthermore, Life Skills saw the children planting seeds, feeding them water, and patiently watching them grow.



Einstein 6

SUCCESS! We had a good sharing of ideas on the keys to success and kids were convinced that THINKING SKILLS + ATTITUDE = GOOD RESULT. We watched a TedTalk and analyzed the speaker's opinion which also helped them figure out that every step in life should be celebrated.

Everyone has been busy preparing for the big day this week. We made some props we needed for the performance such as cell phones, backdrops, and paper folded cranes. The kids also made coffee sleeves (made of cartons and strings) to give their parents and friendship bracelets to give their friends in the camp. INSPIRE EDUCAMPS SUMMERCAMP 2020 has given the kids the opportunity to learn useful skills and big lessons in life!



Einstein 7 – (Week 4)



Week 4 of our summer camp has been a wonderful five days filled with projects, art, sport, drama, cooking, and most importantly fun. As this was everyone's first week, all campers were full of enthusiasm to develop new skills and take part in all activities.

The week 4 focus was on change and how to develop a growth mindset. To introduce the topic, we touched on the subject of neuroscience, and discovered some cool facts about the brain during our project/IT time. We discussed what goals and aspirations we all have for the future. Ms. Thuan and I (Ms. Sarai) were super impressed with everyone's input. The campers did an amazing job brainstorming the steps necessary to reach their goals, and what it takes to have a growth mindset. For the project each camper researched how to make papier mache. We had the idea that we could create a head and draw or pre-colour a printable brain onto the head. This was slightly challenging for us all due to the amount of work involved. However, as a team we were determined to complete the project. Unbeknownst to all our Einstein's, they had been developing a growth mindset by persevering through all the obstacles that got in the way.

In addition to this, we have had a lot of fun practicing for our end of camp performance that will happen on the last Friday of summer camp. The Einstein's have had to learn a new song in such a short period of time, Ms Thuan and I are so proud of how quickly they have adapted. Thank you for a wonderful first week for E7 Group; we can't wait for the next.



Einstein 7 – (Week 5)



In Week 5 we spent a lot of time rehearsing for the big show with Ms. Emily and all the classes from the camp. The excitement around the show has been contagious and we all can't wait for Friday afternoon!

In addition to preparation for the show, we completed our papier mache brains on Thursday. They turned out just as we had imagined. We also made little terrariums in jars with our amazing art teacher Mr. Daniel. We used our fine motor skills to carefully place soil, pebbles and herbs in a glass jar. During cooking class, we made pineapple and banana cupcakes, and I am confident the Einstein's have gained a number of skills from our time in the kitchen. Every day we had sport and played a number of games and teambuilding with the guidance of our Sports Staff, our favourite game was sharky sharky. We also practiced some mindfulness to relax and reflect on our day. During our free play activities, we had a few quizzes, made some jewellery and also played whole class activities.

Ms. Thuan and I will be sad to say goodbye to the Einstein 7 Group, however I am confident that all students have taken new skills home with them. I wish them all best in the future, and I hope to see them again next year.



Davinci 1



What an amazing week for Davinci 1! We started the week with the game Amazing Race where all the kids enjoyed and had so much fun as they looked forward to solving the clues and worked as a team to win the race. In the rehearsals, Davinci 1 showcased their strengths, talents and skills and I must say that they are one of the best acts and singers in the camp! Everybody is excited to see what great performance they will put on for the last day. As they bid farewell to their teachers and friends, we all cherish the memories, laughter, hardship and challenges, as all will be a part of the new chapter of their lives. As they always say, save the best for the last!



Davinci 2



We had to sadly say goodbye to a whole bunch of students at the end of week 4.

The theme for this final week has been ONE LIFE, and what can we or I do to make all the difference in LIFE? Our class size has been reduced; however, this has not set us back in our approach to the last week which has been well received with regards our last project, last cooking class, last Sports class and last Activities class. It is also the week for daily rehearsals for our Annual drama performance on Friday, with a pinch of nervousness in the air!

D2 Group has been amazing once again, I have had the privilege of working with amazing young people from all **walks of life**, the students will be sorely missed.

All parents should be very proud of their children!

I Look forward to seeing all again in 2021.

"YOU MUST BE THE CHANGE YOU WISH TO SEE IN THE WORLD" - Gandhi

