

# Creative English Weekly

An insiders guide to your child's progress

Friday, July 4, 2014

## BABY SHARK DO-DO-DO-DO



Lots of fishy songs and wibbly wobbling dance moves as we learn about sea life through music. Octopuses with their wavy arms, great white sharks chomping, whales bashfully swimming all mixed in with Hawaiian classic dance songs like "Agadoo". This is such a fun theme and the classroom will look so vibrant and colorful we think it will be up all through summer school. Next week we will add big stuffed whales, multi-coloured jellyfish and cute deep sea divers as we continue with our decorations. We can't wait to show all the parents when we are ready!

### Academics

Our phonics program is the Jolly Phonics system. It is not based on simply going throughout the alphabet from A-Z, it is based on letters most recognizable and most used. We start out with S-A-T-I-P-N as they are the words most easily blended and accessible for children to make 3-letter words.

So even though we are at the end of the school year, this week we have been learning the phonics sounds "B". We made some really yummy, b-b-b-anana bread, we finger painted rainbow craft balls, we wrote the tricky letter using our fingers and sand and we even blew blue bubbles onto a "b" on blue paper. Whew, how many "b-b-b-b`s" is that!



### Some highlights of the week



Yummy banana bread is always fun to make. Mashing the bananas at the start is a great sensory activity.



The children realised they know lots of "b" words. Bike, balloon, blue, bottle, ball..... Everyones word bank are growing all the time.



Our new surf shack is looking really good too. A chance for the students to choose a book, get comfy and "hang out".

### Reminders

We have two Hawaiian end of year parties for the students to share in this months theme. You can choose one, please choose from Friday 11th or Friday 18th. When the class limit is reached we cannot extend the class. Thanks for understanding.



