



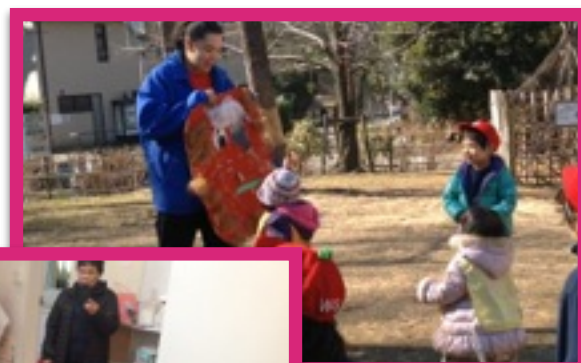
ABC International School

February News 2017

February Celebrations

This month we have had many fun celebrations at ABC. At the beginning of the month the children celebrated the Japanese festival of Setsubun by making masks and throwing beans at the scary 'oni' (ogre). They also ate the same number of beans as their age and practiced saying "oni wa soto, fuku was uchi" (bad luck go out and good luck come in)

Throughout the month there were many Valentine's crafts and delicious hand-crafted treats made with lots of love for Mummies and Daddies (I hope some of them made it home to you!). Each learning group had Valentine's circles where they shared stories, songs and even kisses! Thank you to all the parents and family members who took the time to come in and share the love! Preschool explored the story "I love to cuddle!" and created their own 'cuddle island' where they got cosy whilst learning about how to manage when mommy and daddy aren't around and they need a cuddle.



The Artist in You!

This month's theme was all about art and artists and discovering the artist within all of us. The learning groups studied a variety of different artists and then used them as inspiration to create their own art pieces. Some groups worked with canvas using different techniques like brushing, pouring, printing and even stomping across the canvas with their feet! There were Monet-esque backdrops in hues of blue, strong Cubist shapes in the style of Picasso and drop-painting using the active technique of Jackson Pollock. The final creations were all very unique and we will be using them to decorate our classrooms so please stop by to take a look. The Owls also looked at a variety of different artists including Henri Matisse and created their own Matisse-inspired collaborative work, currently on display in the lobby.



Monet



Matisse
Picasso





Reminders for March

On **Thursday March 2nd** we celebrate **World Book Day** and invite all children to come dressed as their favourite character from a book. Please note that our policy on avoiding super hero outfits and weapons still applies :) There are many great ideas for simple (no sew!) costumes on line, try here:

<https://www.mumsnet.com/books/world-book-day-costume-ideas>

Monday March 20th - National Holiday - No Classes
(Vernal Equinox Day)

Monday 27th March - Spring Break Begins
(March 27th-March 31st)

Monday 27th March - First Day of Term 3

