



Dear parents,

Welcome to our Summer newsletter.

July and August were full of excitement and enrichment for all our kids.

Children coming from abroad with their parents to spend the summer in Lebanon joined our students at the Innocent Minds summer camp.

There were a lot of outdoor and indoor activities, outings as well as sport games at AUB and Hoops.

Summer, not surprisingly, was our theme. Children had the chance to get to know and to learn more about the different sea animals such as, Fish, starfish, seahorse, jellyfish, octopus, whale, sea turtle, crab, dolphin and sharks.

They also learned that these sea creatures come in different colors, shapes and sizes.



The children loved the hot weather by spending time in our child size pools and enjoyed water and sand games.



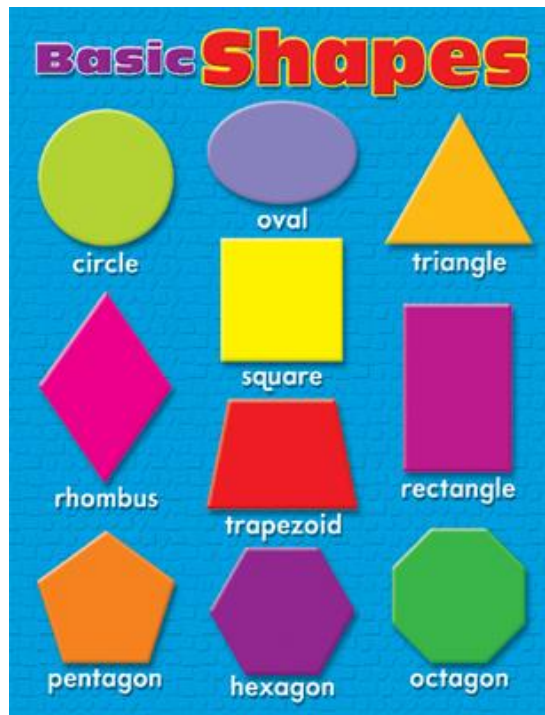
We taught our children that during summer we need to keep drinking lots of water to keep our bodies hydrated and need to stay in shaded areas if we do not have our head caps on



At Innocent Minds we never forget the academic part of learning. During the summer, there were math activities which helped children learn how to match numbers to quantities as well as sorting objects by colors and shapes.



We revisited all the numbers and all the shapes



The children derived great enjoyment from the clowns and magicians who visited our nurseries and printed a smile on our kids faces.



Messy activities and different art and craft projects were introduced to our children. They had to stick colored paper on carton plates to make colorful fish. They loved making a sea turtle, a seahorse, a starfish and an octopus with wiggly eyes and funny legs.



Different outings to fun places were educational in themselves, children exercised their fine, gross as well as mental skills.



For our older children sport games at AUB and Hoops enriched their physical fitness.





Songs related to our summer theme were memorized and recited daily

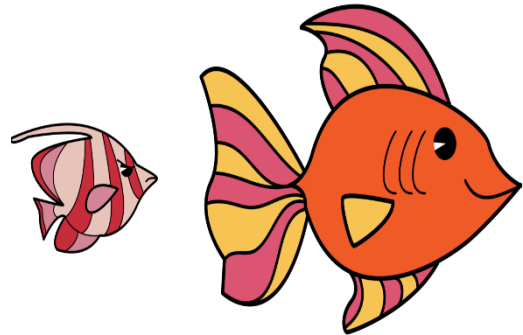
1- "Catch a Fish" Tune to: "Row, Row, Row your boat".

Catch , catch , catch a fish
hook it on your line.

Reel it, reel it , reel it, reel it
This one will be mine .

2-: "One two three four five".

One, two, three, four, five
Once I caught a fish alive
Six, seven, eight, nine, ten
But, then I let it go again
Why did you let it go (shout)
Cause it bit my finger so (grab finger)
Which finger did it bite (shout)
This little finger on the right (wiggle right pinky finger)



3-"I am a Little Fish" Tune to: "I am a Little Teapot"

I'm a little fishy, I can swim
Here is my tail, here is my fin
When I want to have fun with my
friends, I wiggle my tail and dive right
in!

4- "A Sailor Went to Sea".

A sailor went to sea, sea, sea
To see what he could see, see, see
But all that he could see, see, see
Was the bottom of the deep blue sea, sea, sea!



Finally Montessori activities were also very educational. These included fishing , pulling on zippers and pouring sand into funnels.

With the summer over some of our children will be joining their new schools and starting their new scholastic journey. We will definitely miss them and wish them all the best and will always cherish them in our hearts.

In September we look forward to welcoming our continuing and new students for a new scholastic year where they will be valued and loved.

" Of all things love is the most potent"

Maria Montessori

