

# Seahorse daily story



# Outside play



During our time outside today Zaidyn and Ashlyn had a blast with some bubbles that Miss Tanya had bought in. They both showed a great amount of excitement through their facial expressions. We did things a bit different to usual and ate our morning tea outside with our Jellyfish friends. Ashlyn loved to play with a range of different toys, especially our rain stick. She liked to pick it up and shake it to hear the different noises. Zaidyn also showed interest in playing with the magnets and was very curious when they would stick together. We also played with some balloons today to celebrate Miss Zoes birthday! Zaidyn and Ashlyn joined in the dance party that we were having. With assistance, Ashlyn would bop up and down and Zaidyn would clap hands to the song.



# Felt pen drawing

Today we were introduced to felt pens. We wanted to give the children an opportunity to explore the pens and make discoveries, experimenting with what they are and how they work.

Zaidyn was quick to pick up the felt pen and wrapping his fingers and thumb around it he was able to make markings on the paper. He was very proud of his discovery and held it up to Miss Tanya showing her what it was.

Ashlyn was a little unsure at first as to what this object was. It was not long before she picked it up in her hand examining it and turning it repeatedly in her hands. She made a random marking through her exploration which encouraged her curiosity and she began dabbing the pen onto the paper making more markings.



# Play gym



Our children are really wanting to explore there gross motor skills as it is a recently new skill to them in their development. So we introduced the wooden play gym to challenge their skills.

The play gym allowed them to explore their balance, coordination, and confidence in their own abilities. The play gym also allows them an opportunity for support to stand and practice walking and developing balance.

Ashlyn and Zaidyn both found the mirrored ramp very exciting. They were interacting with their own reflection making self discoveries and developing identity.



# Spontaneous play



Then it was time for the children to explore things that interested them as an individual. Zaidyn and Ashlyn made social connections as they were sharing their discoveries of the wooden people. They found lots of different things to do with them such as banging them on different surfaces. One interaction caught our attention where the two of them were swapping the pieces between each other. Both sharing early stages in pro-social skills of sharing and respect.



We also had a new friend join us today who we are calling Mr Horse. This is an interactive horse that allows the children to role play riding a horse and stimulates curiosity and exploration. Zaidyn and Ashlyn really enjoyed hearing the sound of the horse as they bounced on his back.



# Analysis of learning

- Curiosity and experimentation.
- Developing pencil grip through strengthening fine motor muscles.
- Communicating through gestures.
- Balance and coordination.
- Developing pre-walking skills.
- Developing self identity and confidence.
- Exploring sharing and respect for one another



## Reflection of the day

Today was a special day for Zaidyn and Ashlyn to really spend quality one on one with Miss Tanya and Miss Megan. Focus on developing those strong connections and feeling comfortable and secure.

We have seen more interest in being more independent especially when it comes to feeding themselves. They are still in the exploratory stage of learning the manipulate a spoon.

We decided to bring lunch forward around ten to fifteen minutes for now as the children are quite tired and hungry. Today it worked much better the children were more interested in eating and made comfortable transition to bed.

