

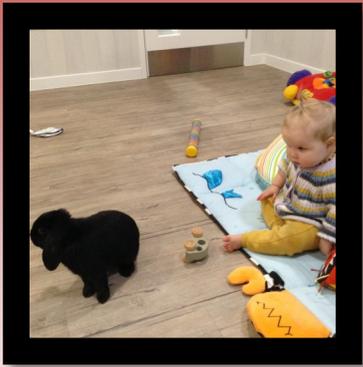
Starfish Daily Story



9th July 2021

With Miss Alaura And Miss Matisse





We had a special visitor in the centre today! Mr Rodger Rabbit! We got to watch him hop around the room and give him some cuddles and pats. Norah wasn't too sure on him, so she wanted to keep her distance and just watch from afar. Whilst Miss Arden just wanted to grab and chase Rodger.

It was a fun little visit for the babies, and a lovely little experience for them to have.

Written by Miss Alaura

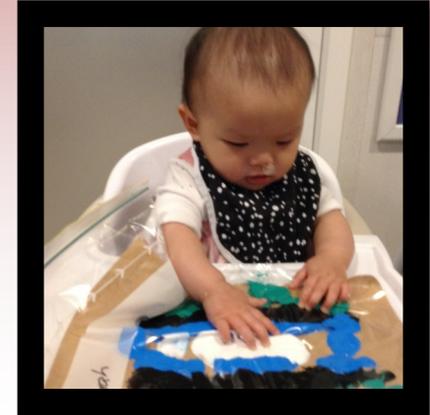
VISIT FROM RODGER RABBIT

SENSORY AND ART EXPERIENCE



Just after eating morning tea this morning Miss Alaura and Miss Matisse decided that the Starfish should make the Torres Strait Islander flag by spreading a thick layer of blue, black, white and green paint on a piece of paper then covering the paper with a zip lock bag so the babies could squish it around to resemble the flag. Not long after the babies were handed the paper Arden launched straight for it hitting it and spreading it around with her fingers. Norah and Harlow took a bit of convincing to touch it but after seeing Arden play with it they got in and started playing with the paint too. All of the babies had so much fun spreading the paint over the paper while laughing and smashing their hands down onto the bag. What a fun experience for the babies using their sensory skills and creativity to complete this artwork.

Well Done Starfish!



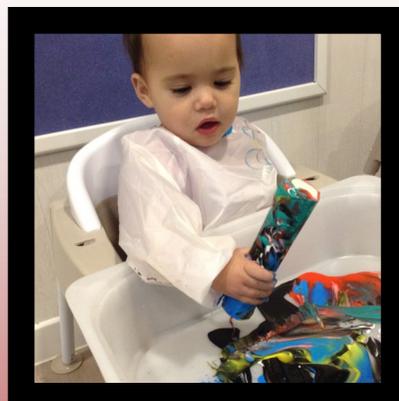
Written by Miss Matisse

RAIN STICKS

In the room today to keep in the of celebration of NAIDOC Week, we decided to make and decorate rain sticks. It is believed that **Rain Sticks** were used by indigenous farming tribes in arid climates with the hopes of calling for **rain** for their crops. They were often made from dried cacti, bamboo or hollow reeds then filled with pebbles or beans, and beautifully painted with beautiful patterns. We didn't have access to the same tools so we made our rain sticks from cardboard tubes, rice and masking tape and decorated them by rolling them around in a tub with paint.

They came out looking wonderful, and although it was a messy activity, all the children enjoyed the activity and produced some great looking rain sticks.

Written by Miss Alaura





MUSIC TIME

After the babies had finished making their rain sticks Miss Matisse and Miss Alaura played some music through the computer to give the babies some time to dance and have fun. We played Taba Naba as earlier in the day we completed our Torres Strait Islander flag art and this song is a traditional song for the children. The starfish had so much dancing to this song and laughing at Miss Matisse as she was also dancing to the music. We also played baby shark as this is Arden's favourite song at the moment dancing to it every time the seahorse room plays it. As soon as she heard it playing she immediately sat up and started dancing to the music bouncing up and down while clapping and laughing. Harlow also stood up leaning against the wooden play equipment bending her legs down and launching herself up to make her bounce on the spot. After listening to baby shark twice Miss Alaura played some of the wiggles songs for everyone to listen to. Norah was laughing and dancing to all the music while sitting in her highchair waiting to start her artwork. The starfish had so much fun dancing around the room while listening to all the different songs that were played.

Written By Miss Matisse



Analysis of learning

- Sensory play
- Creativity
- Colour recognition
- Learning through song and dance
- Fine and gross motor
- Hand eye co-ordination



Reflection of the day



Overall today was a great day with the babies all very calm and happy. They loved having our little visitor Rodger Rabbit. As well as participating in our art and sensory experiences, playing with bubbles, jamming to music shaking instruments around and dancing to the beat. The favourite toys of the day were the textured bouncy balls, musical instruments and the wooden jungle gym.

Photos of the day

