

UIA Newsletter

April

Dear Cub Parents,

Welcome to the UIA International School of Tokyo community! Thank you for entrusting your child's learning journey with us. We had a wonderful start in kindergarten. The Cub students have done a great job adjusting to our daily routine. At the start of the new school year, they came with tangled emotions, feeling nervous, uncertain, and clingy; but now their fears and anxiety begin to relieve and fade away. They started to enjoy playing with their friends, staying focused and working independently. We wish Cub parents could witness how pleased they looked when they entered the room knowing what to do and how to go about their daily activities. April's theme was "Who Am I?". We talked a lot about our emotions, interests, and body parts. We talked about ourselves, got to know each other, and learned about the differences in all of us. We even created our "All About Me Book", which is filled with precious memories and the work we made for the first time in the kindergarten. In literacy and numeracy, we started learning our ABC's and 123's. Most Cubs can sing the alphabet song very well and count from 1 to 10. However, writing was the most challenging task. We will take it one step at a time and practice daily to develop our fine motor skills. In arts and crafts, we created a rainbow using colored salt, we designed an Easter egg with marble painting, and we made a train using different shapes. We also walked over the rainbow and painted it with our feet! Beautiful! We enjoyed the exercises, dances, and all gross motor activities we had in our PE class as well as the park time. In Japanese class, we made butterfly and Koinobori crafts. Alongside, listening to the stories read to us by Ms. Megumi was interesting. On the 28th of April, we experienced our first Theme Party. We came to school in our favorite dresses. Everyone was lovely! We made a paper bag puppet that looked like us. In our cooking class, we made "Pinocchio's Face" using egg bread, chocolate chips, sticks, and pens. We had a yummy snack afterward. It was a super fun day to conclude our first month in kindergarten! More fun learning awaits us in our new theme in May, "Flowers and Plants". We are beyond impressed by the little Cubs. They all put their best foot forward. Thank you all for your support!

Kind regards,

The Cubs Team

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