



**Today's Educators:**

**Miss Sara** *Early Childhood Teacher* Shift:  
7.00am - 3.00pm

**Miss Deeann** *Childhood Teacher*  
Shift: 7.00am - 3.00pm

**Miss Sapphire** *Room Leader*  
Shift: 10.00am - 6.00pm

**Miss Kayla** *Assistant Educator*  
Shift: 10am - 6.00pm

**Today's Menu:**

**Breakfast:** Choice of cereal or toast

**Morning Tea:** Custard and fresh fruit

**Lunch:** Fish served with mashed potato and seasonal vegetables

**Afternoon Tea:** Cookies served with fresh fruit

**Late Snack:** Crackers served with assorted spreads

If your children come home today talking about Annie apple, how big our tomato plant is and handfuls of sand in their pockets you know they had a great day at Shine Bright ELC. Indoors the children enjoyed playing with our new yellow coloured play dough. They made things such as ice creams, sea animals and snakes. Educators are still continuing to equip the children with the right skills to deal with social and emotional situations. Check out our photo of our sharing group time. We have had some amazing family input which has enabled us to extend on this at Shine Bright. Today we were able to incorporate sight words into our quiet time activities. Please keep the family input coming. Hope you enjoy reading our daily journal.

**Sand Volcano**

**Outdoor Experience**

To continue form our interest in beaches and summer activities. The educators have put together a little science experiment in our sand pit. The children will participate in this activity by making the shape of the volcano and each child will participate in pouring a certain item inside the whole of the volcano. The children will get to add coloured dye to make the explosion colourful and interesting. This activity will help encourage children to



develop their fine motor skills, problem solving and creativity.



## Letter of the week

### School Readiness

To help encourage the children to know and understand the alphabet, the educators have come up with a plan that every week the children will learn a letter of the week. The children will learn the sound of the letter, how to write or trace the letter and what begins with the letter. This week our letter is A. This activity will help the children with problem solving, skill and decision making.



## Growing our own plant

### Sustainability

Continuing from the children's interest from our veggie garden. The children watered the plants in the garden and observed if any changes had occurred. Educators provided the children with watering cans and encouraged children to discuss what they see. Children noted that they a big green tomato and the plants had grown bigger. From this experience children become aware of the world around them and an appreciation for nature.

## Toileting Signs

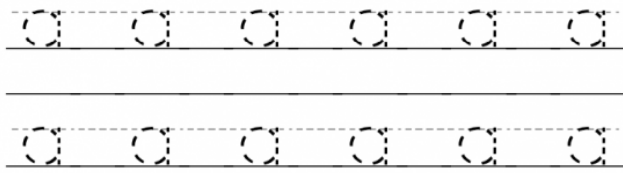
### Family Input

Some families have recently shared with us that their child has shown interest in toileting. At shine bright we believe that toileting can be introduced in many different ways. To continue from our last activity about toileting the children will look at our new toileting charts in the bathroom and look at our hand washing poster. Discussion and praise will assist children in their transition from nappies to using the toilet. From this experience children will become familiar with their environment.



Preprimer: a

Trace the sight word: a



## Creating the letter 'A'

### School Readiness

To continue on from learning the letters of the alphabet the children will be creating the letter 'A' for the childcare room, and hang it up on the wall until they reach the letter 'Z' and have their own DIY of the alphabet in the childcare room. This will help encourage children with their creativity, problem solving and skills.

## Shell Hunting

### Outdoor Experience

Today, during outdoor play, the educators will hide shells around the yard and encourage the children to find them. This is a fun way to incorporate our current interest in the beach and Summer while supporting collaborative and cooperative play experiences between children and their peers. The children will be encouraged to work together to find all of the shells that were hidden, collecting them in a bucket just as they would at the beach! (A special 'thank you!' to Evie's family for bringing in lots of shells for us).



## Catch

### Spontaneous

To extend from our summer activities. Izaiah wanted to play catch with one of the teachers. Izaiah threw the ball high and the educators tried to catch the ball. After a while the other children wanted to get involved in this experience. This helped the children work on their gross motor skills.

## Sharing

### Spontaneous

Before rest time. Miss Kayla brought in a special book called 'Sharing' by Jenny Feely. The book spoke about sharing and how fun it is. The children showed enjoyment in the book because they shared their interest in what their favourite part of the book was.



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