

Caterpillars in Red Room

The children had a special visitor coming into the Red Room; caterpillars came to surprise the children. Each week, the children watched the caterpillar grow and provided it with lots of healthy green leaves to eat, allowing it to develop until it formed a chrysalis in the nets. This term, the children are learning the story 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar'. The children can explain which day the caterpillar ate and show representation through finger, action and writing the numerals down. The children can clarify that a caterpillar turned into a baby butterfly. The children understood the life cycle of a butterfly and could explain the process using the language of the first, second, third, and fourth stages. They enjoyed singing the 'There a Tiny Caterpillar' song. The children have been careful and taking care of the caterpillar.



Comments of the children:

Clayton said, 'The caterpillar is wiggly and looking at me'.

Jannah said, 'It is tiny and needs to get lots of leaves to get bigger and stronger'.

Esme said, "The Caterpillar will turn into a butterfly."

Idris said, 'Look, teacher, a caterpillar in there'.

Arshan said, 'We do give no chocolate or sweet it not good for caterpillar'.



The Life Cycle of a Butterfly through movement and music

The children have been learning about the life cycle of a butterfly. We have discussed how butterflies are made and the process involved. The children act out their ideas through movement and music.

Ali H: "It starts as an egg and out comes a tiny caterpillar".

Safiya: "The caterpillar needs to eat lots of food to get bigger"



Jayce: "Butterfly is beautiful and look the same."



Dimyana: "Then out come a butterfly and fly away".



Nathan: "The caterpillar makes a cocoon and stays for two weeks".



Making Butterfly using Paint



Children's comments:

Abdulghani said, "Butterfly pattern".

Lina said, "I used pink, red and yellow".

Clayton said, " I am pressing the paper together to make a pattern".

Dimyana said, "My butterfly is spotty".

Kiyrah said, "My butterfly is colorful like a rainbow".

Adiós Butterflies!

The children in the Red Room said goodbye to the butterfly as it was time for it to flap its wings and fly off. The children enjoyed having the butterflies and taking care of them. They all counted how many butterflies were in the net. The children sang "There a Tiny Caterpillar on a Leaf Song", which reminded them of the life cycle of a butterfly. Some of the children were brave enough to hold the butterfly in their hands. The children waved their hands and bid the butterfly goodbye.



Children's comments:

Jayce said, "Three butterflies, Sana".

Ahmir said Butterflies are beautiful".

Esme said, "Wow, the caterpillar turned into a butterflies".

Arshan said, "He is spotty".

Idris said, "Bye Bye Butterfly".