## News Story – National Peace Day

## **Babies**

Today was National Peace Day, the babies have been meditating and listening to calm Nasheed's, learning about Allah, and reading a story book. We created a tuff tray for the children to explore different objects and textures that Allah has created. We also introduced one of the 5 pillars of Islam, salah.







## **Toddlers**

In celebration of the National Peace Day, we created a sensory tuff tray activity based on the earth and the animals.

We talked about who (Allah) created the earth and everything in our world, including animals. The children made different sounds representing the animals they could see. We also talked about how Islam encourages peace by giving Salaam to our friends, children then took part in meditation as well to feel the peace in our hearts.



The children used scoops and their

fingers to pick up coloured sand and fill up the earth picture drawn on the tuff tray. Children demonstrated good fine motor skills as they were pinching and scooping up the sand and filling the picture on the tuff tray.

This activity helped children develop their mathematics and language skills as they counted each time they scooped up the sand to place it inside the earth.

Additionally, we talked about what shape earth was and how earth has lots of things to be thankful for.





## **Pre-School**

In preschool, children have taken part in making a friendship tree craft. Children were encouraged to pick the colour of their choice and make a handprint, during this activity we talked about being kind, caring and using friendly words to communicate with our friends. This activity also helped children learn the similarity and differences between us. We looked at the different sizes of our hands. Children also took part in making



cards for their

friends and family to show care and love.



Also at group time we read a story book 'being kind', children sat beautifully listening to the story. We talked about the importance of being kind, making friends, sharing and taking turns. We also talked about how to keep ourselves calm when our friends are not sharing and waiting for our turn patiently.