

## Easter at S.M.I.L.E.

The month started with exploring our neighborhood, a few days prior to Easter.

On 11<sup>th</sup> April all Preps visited St. Alphonsa church in our vicinity as a first visit to a place of worship. A 'Circle Time' was done to help children understand the objective of the visit as well as recall some of the good practices to be observed during the visit. Some children responded during the talk and said:

Nishaanth - "I go to the church with my mummy and papa and I pray there."

Gracelyn - "I also go and sing songs there."

It was an experience in its own to walk down to the church. Children followed traffic rules like walking on their left and looking both sides before crossing the road. The school guard and other helpers ensured safety of our children while they were walking.

On reaching the church the children were quick to spot the cross on the roof and Sargun said "Woh cross se pata chalta hai ki yeh church hai."

After entering the main prayer hall everyone sat down and spent a few minutes in meditation to calm down. The children sang the prayers 'Dil ka darwaza...' and 'O! be careful little eyes.....'.



Br. Steven welcomed the children with a heartwarming smile. He spoke to the children in general and also explained to be kind and helpful to others.



Children listened patiently. Finally a prayer helped the children to be mindful as they expressed gratitude for all that God has given to them. We left the Church with our hearts filled with peace.

After coming back to school children recalled their experience of the visit with beautiful illustrations.



Easter was celebrated in school with great enthusiasm. A special assembly was held on 12<sup>th</sup> April. Children enjoyed watching the story role-play - 'Sumera's Easter adventure' and cheered and danced along on the song - 'Easter Bunny Bop' presented by Prep C.







Easter cards and eggs were a wonderful take away for the children for Easter.



**Happy Easter**

Thank You