

Monkey Class Newsletter October 2016

Dear parents,

Firstly I would like to say how impressed I am with all the children in Monkey Class. They have settled in really nicely over the past two months, they are getting to know each other well and to my amazement they are all showing a strong willingness to learn which is great for children so young. The children have worked really hard to memorise the alphabet in the last two months and most of them are recognising letters within words that I write on the board so I believe they will be able to spell some small words before long. I do my best to get the children moving around in class and using their hands as much as possible as this really helps them to memorise lesson material while also creating a fun experience for them. We have been doing this particularly in reading class and the benefits of this are already shining through.

This month should be an exciting one because we have the school field trip coming up on the 25th and The Halloween activities on the 31st so we're all looking forward to that! Please read the schedule below to find out what other adventures we have coming up in October!

Best wishes,

Teacher Sam

Reading

Reading class is something we take a lot of pride in here at Marshall and we always aim by the end of the first year and certainly at the end of the second year to have a class of independent readers with a full grasp of phonics and the pronunciation of words. This class is also great for building up their vocabulary which in turn benefits their conversation skills. I find this class feeds the student's imagination, inspires children to read stories in their own time and usually by the 3rd year they are wanting to write their own stories! As reading is a personal favourite pass time for me I take a lot of care bringing out the best possible results for the children in this subject and I hope you will all see a steady improvement in your child's ability.

October 3rd – October 7th: We Like To Play

October 10th – October 14th: Look

October 17th – October 21st: Cat Traps

October 24th – October 28th: I Like Bugs

Core Material

This class is an all encompassing lesson for the children's reading, grammar and phonics skills. In these classes children are asked to analyse stories, practice vowel sounds and use a selection of keywords for sentence making and grammar. We will begin with the start smart books this semester which is a wonderful introduction for reading and basic vocabulary but first we will be introducing the letters and sounds of the alphabet!

October 3rd – October 7th: Unit 1: Week 1 – Make New Friends

October 10th – October 14th: Unit 1: Week 2 – Get Up and Go

October 17th – October 21st Unit 1: Week 3 – Use Your Senses

October 24th – October 28th: Unit 1: Review

Math

We are using the MPM books and boxes for our maths class. They really have a unique and interesting way of delivering common mathematical concepts to the children often by using animals, colours and objects that children associate with fun and games! This month we will focus on...

October 3rd – October 7th: A3: P01 – 05: Set Theory

October 10th – October 14th: A3: P06 – 10: Measurements

October 17th – October 21st A3: P11 – 14: Measurements

October 24th – October 28th: A3: P15 – 18: Reciting Numbers

Physical Education

P.E. Class is shared with Lion class and Teacher John who is a great member of staff! Every week we work together to create fun activities for the children either using the gym equipment or the playground equipment. Teacher John and I also encourage the children to exercise regularly and we often stress the significance and importance that it can have on their physical and mental health.

October 3rd – October 7th: Running Race

October 10th – October 14th: Long Jump

October 17th – October 21st Dodgeball

October 24th – October 28th: Soccer Skills

Thematic Activity

Each month a different foreign teacher is assigned to plan and arrange activities of a given theme. This can be anything from small art projects, short field trips near the school or even a party in the classroom! The themes are often related to different festivals around the world so it really helps them to understand different cultures while having fun at the same time.

October 3rd – October 7th: Halloween – Black cat

October 10th – October 14th: Halloween - Skeleton

October 17th – October 21st Halloween - Skull

October 24th – October 28th: Halloween - Spider

Song and Dance

This is a great opportunity for myself and the students to bond and enjoy some songs together. In addition to the scheduled songs I will be teaching the children further songs from the Disney catalogue, musicals or simply just any songs I find that are good for children! It gives me great pleasure to find songs we can all enjoy!

October 3rd – October 7th: Monkey Song

October 10th – October 14th: Polly and Paul Play the Piano

October 17th – October 21st: Polly and Paul Play the Piano

October 24th – October 28th: Bus

Storybook

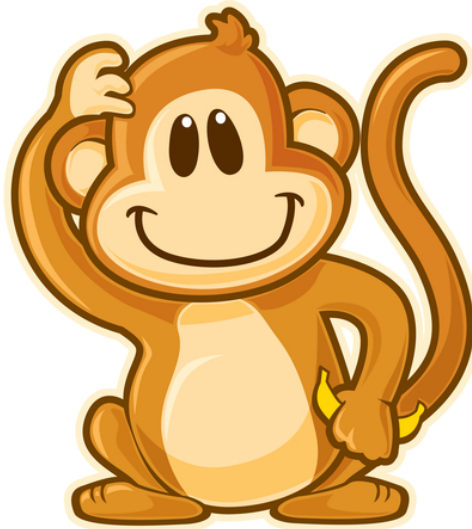
Each week the children and myself visit the library for story time and to exchange books. It's lovely to see all of them listening to the stories and taking an interest! They really get involved with the stories and I believe it's good for their listening and their imagination!

I hope this has been an insightful newsletter for you all,

Thank you for reading!

Best wishes,

Tr. Sam



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親愛的家長,

首先，我想告訴您們猴子班的學生們真的很棒。在這兩個月，他們已漸漸穩定習慣了學校的生活了，大家也漸漸熟悉彼此，令我驚訝的是他們如此幼小卻有著極大意願去學習新事物。在過去兩個月，小孩們非常認真在於認識字母，然而，最重要的是我寫在白板上單字他們也都認得所有字母呢，所以，我相信他們將能拼出短的單字，我將盡我所能於教室內給小孩們活動，並在學習過程中帶給他們手部的動作，讓他們更加快速的記得老師所教的，創造有趣的學習經驗，尤其在閱讀課程中，我們已有很大的成效囉！

這個月我們非常興奮，因為 10/25 的戶外教學以及 10/31 的萬聖節即將到來，我們十分期待它們的到來，請提前準備並閱讀我們十月份的活動計畫表喔！

祝順心，
山姆老師

閱讀

閱讀課是我們在瑪歇爾深感驕傲的一門課，我們目標是要讓小孩成為獨立的讀者，並養成良好閱讀習慣與訓練發音。閱讀也能增加自己的字彙量，進而有助於小孩們的談話技巧。我覺得多閱讀也能激發小孩的無限想像力，也能讓孩子們學會利用自己的時間去閱讀書籍，由於我也是一個喜歡利用閱讀來消磨時間的人，所以我期許每一個小孩都能養成良好的閱讀習慣，進而也能訓練他們的專注力，以利於有效的學習。我也會讓家長看到孩子們紮實穩固的學習成效。

10月3日至10月7日：I Like to Play

10月10日至10月14日：Look

10月17日至10月21日：Cat Traps

10月24日至10月28日：I Like Bugs

主教材

這個課程是綜合了孩子們的閱讀，文法和發音技能。在主教材課程中，孩子們將被要求了解故事，練習基本發音和利用文法及關鍵字去造句。本學期我們將用基礎閱讀和基本詞彙，給予小孩們認識英文字母和發掘英文發音的美妙！

10月3日至10月7日：單元1:第一週 – 交新朋友

10月10日至10月14日：單元1: 第二週 – 起來和前往

10月17日至10月21日：單元1: 第三週 – 用你的感官

10月24日至10月28日：單元1: 複習

數學

我們藉由 MPM 書籍和教材盒作為我們數學課程的主要教材。MPM 教材有著獨特且有趣的數學教學概念帶給孩子，教材課程利用動物，顏色，主題和遊戲連結起來，使學習數學更加有趣。

10月3日至10月7日：A3: P01 – 05: 集合論

10月10日至10月14日：A3: P06 – 10: 測量

10月17日至10月21日：A3: P11 – 14: 測量

10月24日至10月28日：A3: P15 – 18: 背誦數字

體能課

每個禮拜的體育課我與學校裡最棒的獅子班 John 老師一起討論研究如何去創造有趣的活動帶給小孩們，我們也會利用學校資源和遊樂設備設計出有趣的活動，讓小孩們玩，我們也鼓勵孩子們規律的運動，並強調運動的意義和重要性，讓他們知道運動對他們的身心健康有多重要。

10月3日至10月7日：賽跑

10月10日至10月14日：跳遠

10月17日至10月21日：躲避球

10月24日至10月28日：足球技巧

主題教學

每個月不同的外籍老師會輪流計劃和安排特定主題的活動。主題活動設計範圍可以從小型的藝術項目，甚至到學校附近的戶外教學，都可以成為主題的學習內容。所以主題活動確實有助於小孩們，在同一時間內了解世界各地不同文化並集結學習的樂趣。

10月3日至10月7日：萬聖節 - Black cat

10月10日至10月14日：萬聖節 - Skeleton

10月17日至10月21日：萬聖節 - Skull

10月24日至10月28日：萬聖節 - Spider

唱歌跳舞

歌舞這堂課是給予我機會，去帶領小孩一同享受音樂的美好。除此之外，我定期會從迪士尼音樂中，找出適合小孩的音樂，我非常高興能利用美妙的旋律讓小孩們都可以與老師一起享受音樂的美好！

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圖書館/故事書

每個星期我會帶領孩子造訪學校裡的圖書室和進行故事書書籍交換。進而能看見孩子們可愛的對話以及仔細聆聽故事的可愛模樣！此時他們真正參與到故事的氛圍，我相信這對於孩子們來說是很好的，這為他們的聽力和他們的想像力都會帶來很大的影響力喔！

我期許這一封讓你清楚這個月的上課內容。

感謝您的閱讀！

祝順心，
山姆老師