

Monkey Class Newsletter November 2016

Dear parents,

We've had a very eventful month with all the excitement of Halloween and the field trip but we will try our best to match this level of energy through November too! This month we will be very involved in the preparations for the autumn drama play. I have already prepared the script, costumes and designed the props for what I hope will be an enjoyable play for the cast and the audience. I hope will be a special occasion for everyone. Monkey class have proven to be a fantastic group of intelligent, well behaved students so far and it is my pleasure to come in every day and teach them. We have conquered the alphabet, familiarised ourselves with a lot of key sentence patterns while some students are even showing the ability to spell words unassisted so I feel very lucky to have such a good class. We hope you enjoy the next month and are looking forward to it as much as we are!

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 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 31<sup>st</sup> – November 4<sup>th</sup>: Hog and Dog

November 7<sup>th</sup> – November 11<sup>th</sup>: Drama Play Rehearsals

November 14<sup>th</sup> – November 18<sup>th</sup>: Drama Play Rehearsals

November 21<sup>st</sup> – November 25<sup>th</sup>: Drama Play Rehearsals

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. This month we will begin Smart Start Unit 2. October 31<sup>st</sup> – November 4<sup>th</sup>: Week 1: Tools We Use November 7<sup>th</sup> – November 11<sup>th</sup>: Week 2: Shapes All Around US November 14<sup>th</sup> – November 18<sup>th</sup>: Week 3: World of Bugs November 21<sup>st</sup> – November 25<sup>th</sup>: 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 31<sup>st</sup> – November 4<sup>th</sup>: Drama Play Rehearsals

November 7<sup>th</sup> – November 11<sup>th</sup>: Drama Play Rehearsals

November 14<sup>th</sup> – November 18<sup>th</sup>: Drama Play Rehearsals

November 21<sup>st</sup> – November 25<sup>th</sup>: Drama Play Rehearsals

**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 31<sup>st</sup> – November 4<sup>th</sup>: Car Racing

November 7<sup>th</sup> – November 11<sup>th</sup>: Obstacle Course

November 14<sup>th</sup> – November 18<sup>th</sup>: Soccer Skills

November 21<sup>st</sup> – November 25<sup>th</sup>: Tag

**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 31<sup>st</sup> – November 4<sup>th</sup>: Indian Teepee

November 7<sup>th</sup> – November 11<sup>th</sup>: Turkey

November 14<sup>th</sup> – November 18<sup>th</sup>: Mayflower

November 21<sup>st</sup> – November 25<sup>th</sup>: Autumn Tree

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 31<sup>st</sup> – November 4<sup>th</sup>: Bus

November 7<sup>th</sup> – November 11<sup>th</sup>: Rain Rain Go Away

November 14<sup>th</sup> – November 18<sup>th</sup>: Rain Rain Go Away

November 21<sup>st</sup> – November 25<sup>th</sup>: This is the Way

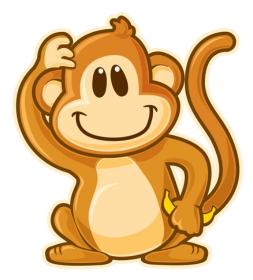
## Library/Storybook

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



## Monkey Class Newsletter November 2016

親愛的家長,

我們又過了一個忙碌充實的月份,有刺激的萬聖節以及戶外教學呢,但我們又將盡全力迎接11月的到來!在這個月,我們將專心投入準備戲劇表演,我已經準備好劇本,戲服以及設計好道具,我希望小孩跟家長也能喜歡這次的戲劇表演,我希望這是一個特別的經驗。猴子班是一群聰明和聽話的小孩,能夠有機會每天教他們真的很開心。他們已經認識字母,熟識很多句型,有些小孩還可以在沒有我的幫助下,會拼讀一些單字。我很幸運帶領如此聰明的孩子們。我希望大家期待我們下個月的成果呢。

## 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,我們目標是有讓小孩成為獨立的讀者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。

# 10/31-11/4: Hog and Dog

11/7-11/11: 戲劇排演 11/14-11/18: 戲劇排演

11/21-11/25: 戲劇排演

主教材

這個課程是綜合了孩子們的閱讀,文法和發音技能。在這些課程中的孩子將被要求分析的故事,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!這個月我們將開始學習單元二。

- 10/31-11/4: 第一週: 我們使用工具
- 11/7-11/11: 第二週: 我們生活中的形狀
- 11/14-11/18: 第三週: 蟲的世界
- 11/21-11/25: 複習週

#### 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。 10/31 – 11/25: 戲劇排演

#### 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。

10/31-11/4: 賽車

11/7-11/11: 穿越障礙賽

11/14-11/18:足球遊戲

11/21 - 11/25: Tag

主題教學

每個月不同的外籍教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。

10/31 – 11/4: Indian Teepee 11/7 – 11/11: Turkey 11/14 – 11/18: Mayflower 11/21 – 11/25: Autumn Tree

歌曲律動

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! 10/31-11/4: Bus

11/7 – 11/11: Rain Rain Go Away 11/14 – 11/18: Rain Rain Go Away 11/21 – 11/25: This is the Way

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! 我希望這是一封內容豐富的信! 感謝您的閱讀! 祝順心, 山姆老師