



## Kangaroo Class Newsletter December 2016

Dear Parents,

It has been a great pleasure to be teaching in the Kangaroo class. We've had lots of fun playing games with them and teaching them new things. In this month, we will be continuing our studies about a community and how everyone works together. We have been learning about different occupations, buildings, people, and how we can help in our community to make it a wonderful place to live in. The Kangaroo's class reading and pronunciation has improved a lot over this past month and I'm sure they will do well. But remember even though they are improving, there's always a lot more to learn, and I hope all the kids have fun as we continue learning together.

### **Reading**

After a few weeks of no readers I'm sure all the kids are very eager to get back to reading the different stories about the "Critter Family" and their adventures. Stories like "Snow Ball Soup" will teach the kids some simple science about hot and cold, while they will also learn good spending habits in "Just saving my money".

Nov. 28th - Dec. 2nd	Snowball Soup
Dec. 5th - Dec. 9th	Just saving my money
Dec. 12th - Dec. 16th	Going to the fire house
Dec. 19th - Dec. 23th	Going to the sea park
Dec. 26th - Dec30th	Just a little sick

### **Core Material**

Our core material will be focusing on more consonant blends and their sounds. As many blends do not sound like the letters that make them, we will be doing some drills to help the kids recognize sounds like "th" and "wh". We will of course be discussing other subjects, such as the usage of do/does and like/likes.

Nov. 28th - Dec. 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Story: Thump Thump Helps Out
Dec. 5th - Dec. 9th	Discussion: Proper nouns/ Organization
Dec. 12th - Dec. 16 <sup>th</sup>	Discussion: Map it, What is the family using to get directions
Dec. 19th - Dec. 23th	Phonics: ch, tch, wh, ph
Dec. 26th - Dec30th	Exercise; Find your way on the map.

### **Math**

In December, the kids will be learning more about describing an objects location is, relative to other objects. Phrases such as "the dog is in-front-of the ball" and "the car is the first one" are important to being able to tell others how to find things and communicate to others where to find things

Nov. 28th - Dec. 2nd	E4 P01-05	The----is before the-----
Dec. 5th - Dec. 9th	E4 P06-10	The----is in the----window
Dec. 12th - Dec. 16th	E4 P11-14	-----plus----equals-----
Dec. 19th - Dec. 23th	E4 P15-18	The----is the tallest.
Dec. 26th - Dec30th	E5 P01-05	The----is the shortest.

### **Physical Education**

As the winter months are coming and the weather is getting colder, we would like to remind everyone to please bring enough clothes for playing outside. While it might be warm and sunny in the morning it sometimes will get cold and windy in the afternoons and its easy to get sick. That will also be part of our PE lessons, as being healthy to exercise is also important so we will be teaching the kids these daily tips.

Nov. 28th - Dec. 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Warm-ups
Dec. 5th - Dec. 9th	Spider crawl
Dec. 12th - Dec. 16 <sup>th</sup>	Tricycle relay
Dec. 19th - Dec. 23th	Car relay
Dec. 26th - Dec30th	Obstacle course

### **Thematic Activity**

As December main focus is on Christmas, that is what the main points of our Thematic activities will be about. Making artwork and decorations, will further help the kids in learning motor skills and following directions. As these projects will include more cutting and pasting the kids will need to learn to go slow and do things carefully

Nov. 28th - Dec. 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Santa Face
Dec. 5th - Dec. 9th	Snow Scene
Dec. 12th - Dec. 16 <sup>th</sup>	Handprint Christmas Tree
Dec. 19th - Dec. 23th	Gingerbread House
Dec. 26th - Dec30th	Firework

### **Song and Dance**

As the semester is its final months the songs that we will be learning are longer and a little more up-beat. As the kids learn more about melodies and singing together these songs will help instruct them not only in rhyming and rhythm but also in a few interesting things such as " synonym's" or words that sound the same but have different meanings.

Nov. 28th - Dec. 2nd	Must be Santa
Dec. 5th - Dec. 9th	Friends
Dec. 12th - Dec. 16th	Friends
Dec. 19th - Dec. 23th	We've got the whole world
Dec. 26th - Dec30th	We've got the whole world

### **Science**

As we continue though the world of Science we will be learning about things that are "alive" and "non-living" and there are different descriptions as to what is alive and what is not. We will be discussing the different requirements for something that is living vs. a dead object.

Nov. 28th - Dec. 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Plants are living things
Dec. 5th - Dec. 9th	Plants are living things

Dec. 12th - Dec. 16<sup>th</sup>      Animals are living things  
Dec. 19th - Dec. 23th      Animals are living things  
Dec. 26th - Dec30th        Review

### Library/Storybook

Each week the children and myself visit the library for story time and to exchange books. It's fun to see the interesting choices of books that the kids make. It's also fun as I will choose a story to read to them. They always laugh when I characterize each person's voice in the book to match the story line. All the kids have fun and it's a good experience for all

Thank you for reading!  
Tr. Tim



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親愛的父母您好:

我很高興能在袋鼠班上教學。和他們一起玩遊戲，教他們新的東西可以從中得到很多樂趣。在這個月，我們將繼續學習關於社區和每個人的工作。我們一直在學習認識不同的職業，建築及不同種族的人們以及如何幫助我們的社區，讓它成為一個美好的地方。在過去的一個月裡，袋鼠班學習閱讀和發音已經進步很多，我相信他們會做得更好。但記住，即使他們正在進步，還是有很多要學習的，我希望所有的孩子在一起學習會得到更多樂趣。

### 閱讀

這幾個星期沒有閱讀小書，我相信所有的孩子都非常渴望學習閱讀小書。關於“小動物家庭”和他們冒險的不同故事。像“雪球湯”的故事教孩子一些關於冷熱簡單科學，而他們也將在“只是節省我的錢”故事中學習良好的消費習慣。

11 月 28 日 - 12 月 2 日 Snowball Soup  
12 月 5 日 - 12 月 9 日 Just Saving My Money  
12 月 12 日 - 12 月 16 日 Going to the Fire House  
12 月 19 日 - 12 月 23 日 Going to the Sea Park  
12 月 26 日 - 12 月 30 日 Just a Little Sick

### 主教材

主教材 將更著重於更多的輔音混合和發音。由於許多混音聽起來不像是字母組成的，我們將進行一些演練，幫助孩子們區別“th”和“wh”的聲音。我們當然會討論其他主題，例如 do / does 和 like / likes 的使用。

11 月 28 日 - 12 月 2 日 故事：Thump Thump Helps Out  
12 月 5 日 - 12 月 9 日 討論：專有名詞/ 組織  
12 月 12 日 - 12 月 16 日 討論：地圖，家庭是用什麼知道方向的。  
12 月 19 日 - 12 月 23 日 自然發音：ch , tch , wh , ph  
12 月 26 日 - 12 月 30 日 練習：在地圖上找到方位。

### 數學

在 12 月孩子們將更加認識並描述對象位置以及相對其他對象位置。比如“狗在球的前面”和“汽車是第一個”之類的短語。對於能夠告訴他人如何找到東西和與他人在哪裡找到東西是很重要。

11 月 28 日 - 12 月 4 日 E4 P01-05 ----在-----之前  
12 月 5 日 - 12 月 9 日 E4 P06-10 ----在-----窗口  
12 月 12 日 - 12 月 14 日 E4 P11-14 ----- plus ----等於-----  
12 月 19 日 - 12 月 23 日 E4 P15-18 ----是最高的。  
12 月 26 日 - 12 月 30 日 E5 P01-05 ----是最短的。

### 體能課

隨著冬天到來，天氣越來越冷，我們想提醒大家請穿保暖的衣服在外面玩。雖然它可能是溫暖和陽光明媚的早晨，但在下午有時會有點冷和有風，容易讓孩子生病。因為健康運動也是很重要的這將是我們體能課的一部分，所以我們每日將提醒孩子穿保暖衣物。

11 月 28 日 - 12 月 2 日 熱身  
12 月 5 日 - 12 月 9 日 蜘蛛爬行  
12 月 12 日 - 12 月 16 日 三輪車  
12 月 19 日 - 12 月 23 日 汽車  
12 月 26 日 - 12 月 30 日 障礙賽

### 主題活動

由於 12 月的重點是聖誕節，這就是我們的主題活動的重點。製作藝術品和裝飾品，可以進一步幫助孩

子學習小肌肉能力和遵循方向。由於這些項目將包括更多的剪和黏貼，孩子們將需要學習慢慢事情完成。

- 11月28日 - 12月2日 聖誕老人臉
- 12月5日 - 12月9日 雪景
- 12月12日 - 12月16日 Handprint 聖誕樹
- 12月19日 - 12月23日 薑餅屋
- 12月26日 - 12月30日 煙火

### 歌曲和舞蹈

在這個學期最後幾個月，我們將學習更長更多節奏的歌曲。隨著孩子們更加認識旋律和歌詞，這些歌曲將有助於認識押韻和節奏和了解一些有趣的事情，如“同義詞”或發音相同，但具有不同的意義的單字。

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### 科學

當我們繼續學習認識科學世界，我們將會學習“活著”和“非活著”的東西，有不同的描述，什麼是活著和什麼不是活著。我們將討論活著對象和死的對象。

- 11月28日 - 12月2日 植物是活的東西
- 12月5日 - 12月9日 植物是活的東西
- 12月12日 - 12月16日 動物是生物
- 12月19日 - 12月23日 動物是活的東西
- 12月26日 - 12月30日 複習

### 圖書館/ 故事書

星期我和孩子們有圖書館故事時間和借閱交換書籍。孩子們會看到有趣的故事書並從中得到樂趣。我會選擇一個故事跟他們一起閱讀。當我特別做出書中人物聲音特徵孩子們總是笑開懷。所有的孩子都玩得開心，這是美好的經驗。

謝謝您的閱讀！

Tr. Tim