



Rabbit Class Newsletter February 2017

Dear Parents,

This month is the start of the Rabbit class's last semester before they graduate from our kindergarten. This semester will be very busy as the Rabbits prepare for their graduation test, speech, and other preparations. This semester a few things will be different. Instead of having our regular reading contest, I will be helping each Rabbit prepare a speech about their experience and time at Marshal which they will recite at their graduation ceremony. Another small thing that will be different is that instead of doing their drama plays with the rest of the school; all k5 classes will do their drama play at our graduation. Though this is a lot of work I'm sure every one of the Rabbits will work hard. The Rabbits have come a long way from when I first became their teacher and it's fun and amazing to watch them grow and see how far they have come. From their writing and grammar, to their pronunciation and phonics the Rabbits have learned so much and use everything they learn in and outside of class. Of course they are still small and love to play, have fun, and are sometimes distracted, but I can tell that everyone from our class works hard. I have noticed that the Rabbit's can read and speak very well and remember how to read words with our new phonics. However sometimes when it comes to writing they are a bit slower. I have started to give our class little tests about the things we have learned. I make up some spelling tests about our phonics or easy sight words, and sometimes I will also give them little tests or reviews about what we learned in science class.

Reading

This semester we will no longer be continuing the critter series. Instead we will have a selection of books from different series that we have read from before such as the Berenstain Bears and PJ Funnybunny. We will also have books from series we have never read before. Each book contains a fun story that also teaches something. I'm sure our class will be very excited with each new book they read and will love the books we have chosen.

Week 1- Hiccups for Elephants

Week 2 – Hiccups for Elephants

Week 3 – Two Crazy Pigs

Week 4 – Mary Claire Like to Share

Core Material

This semester we will be continuing with our previous book that we started in the last semester. Continuing our stories about time and how things change over time. We have been learning about the long vowels and how "e" at the end of a word makes the vowel a long vowel. We will be continuing to learn about the different long vowels this month.

Week 1- Review Unit 2 Week 4-5: Let's Help

Week 2 – Review Unit 2 Week 4-5: Phonics: End Blends
Week 3 – Review Unit 3 Week 1-2: What time is it?
Week 4 – Review Unit 3 Week 1-2: Nate the Snake is Late

Maths

Recently the Rabbits have just started to learn about addition and subtraction. We are starting out with simple addition and subtraction and doing practices such as counting groups of objects, then counting or subtracting one group from the whole. In this semester we will also be learning about patterns, counting to 50 and back, coordinates, more or less, and many different other skills.

Week 1-F1: P1-5 Counting objects
Week 2 – F1: P1-5 Counting objects
Week 3 – F1: P6-10 counting 1-50
Week 4 – F1: P11-14 counting 1-50

Physical Education

PE class is one of the Rabbits favourite classes. Any love any chance they have to go outside to the playground and run around and have fun. Besides their school subjects PE is also a very important class. It allows them to get a lot of exercise in fun and creative ways. PE allows everyone to use their energy and therefore not be as restless in class time. No matter what we do in class, whether we play a game or have a race the Rabbit love this class.

Week 1- Bicycle course
Week 2 – teamwork games
Week 3 – soccer
Week 4 - paper, scissor, stone running game

Song and Dance

Song and dance time is a great way to start the day off. It's easy for everyone to sing along and rock out with the music. It also helps wake up everyone who is still a little drowsy. The songs we are learning this semester are a little longer so we will spend more time on one song. Most of the songs are upbeat and fun songs, while a few are a bit slower but still have a catchy tune.

Week 1~4- Dancing Queen

Science

Everyone enjoys science class a lot. Even though it can sometimes be a little hard to understand it is also a lot of fun. It's amazing to see how much everyone has learned. They've learned a lot about plants and how they grow and can name the simple parts of a plant. We have started to learn about the solar system, stars, sun, moon, and planets. Sometimes we get to do small experiments that everyone loves.

Week 1-Lesson 1, D6-9 - What are rocks and minerals? What are rocks and minerals important?
Week 2 – Lesson 2, D12-15 How do soils compare? What is soil? Why is soil important?
Week 3 – Lesson 3, D18-21 - What happens to rain? Where is Earth's water found? Why is water important?
Week 4 – Lesson 3, D18-21- What happens to rain? Where is Earth's water found? Why is water important?

Writing/Workbook

Everyone had improved a lot in writing. They can make simple sentences and spell a lot of words on their own. In our writing book we will learn new words and also learn some new grammar patterns. Writing is a harder class and of course sometimes the Rabbits don't feel like doing it. However, even though this class isn't as entertaining or fun as some of the other classes this is still a very important class that the Rabbits need to do. There's a lot more to writing than just making sentences. Everyone needs to write neatly on the lines, spell the words correctly, remember which letters need to be big or small, etc.

Week 1-Simple sentences
Week 2 – Simple present
Week 3 – Phonics words
Week 4 – Core material workbook

Thematic activity

Thematic activity is often colouring, gluing, painting, or other fun activities. Often we will make banners, masks, paper crafts, or pictures. Everyone loves to do the different projects we have each week. Everyone especially loves it when we get to glue small or shiny objects onto whatever it is we're making. Sometimes it gets a bit messy when it comes to gluing or painting, but after they're finished everyone also loves to help clean up and keep the tables clean.

Week 2 – Presidents Day

Week 3 – Hamburger

Week 4 – Hot Dog



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親愛的家長：

這學期將會是迎接畢業之前的最後一學期，我們也會非常忙碌，除了畢業測試之外，還有畢業致詞等等的練習，也會有些事情改變，例如：閱讀比賽會改成畢業致詞，另外還有就是我們的戲劇表演也會在畢業典禮時呈現，雖然需要準備很多，但我相信孩子們會努力練習的，自從我成為他們的老師後，看著他們成長吃驚，從書寫技巧到文法和發音孩子們都有將它運用在課堂和生活上，當然因為他們年紀還小，所以有時還是會調皮和上課偶爾不專心，但我可以自豪的說班上孩子們都很努力的學習，我也注意到孩子們能夠在學習到新單字時把他唸出來，但在書寫上則會比較需要時間練習，我也開始幫孩子們做測試，例如：發音和常見字，在上科學課時也會為他們做一些測試。

Reading

本學期我們會持續 critter 系列，除了會持續之前的閱讀書，另外也有和之前不同的閱讀書 Berenstain Bears 和 PJ Funnybunny，每本閱讀書除了很有趣之外也有涵義，相信孩子們一定會感到很有趣的。

第一週- Hiccups for Elephants

第二週- Hiccups for Elephants

第三週- Two Crazy Pigs

第四週- Mary Claire Like to Share

Core Material

這學期會繼續使用之前的教材，繼續學習時間和事物的變化，我們持續學習長母音和尾音 e 的使用，也會繼續學習新的長母音。

第一週- 複習單元二 週四-五：Let' s Help

第二週- 複習單元二 週四-五：Phonics: End Blends

第三週- 複習單元三 週一-二：What time is it?

第四週- 複習單元三 週一-二：Nate the Snake is Late

Maths

我們最近才開始學習加法和減法，目前為止孩子們都表現的不錯，我們還學習簡單的加減法，大部分時候我們會先利用積木來讓孩子進行加或減的動作，在這學期我們仍然會學習序列和數到 50，座標，以及其他相關知識。

第一週- P1-5 數數

第二週- P1-5 數數

第三週- P6-10 數 1~50

第四週- P6-10 數 1~50

Physical Education

體能課是孩子們最愛的課程，任何能到外面活動的課程都是有趣的，在課程設計裡面體能課也是很重要的課程，讓孩子們可以發揮許多精力也可以發明很多創意，所以我們在這堂課充分的活動。

第一週-腳踏車循環

第二週-團體活動

第三週-足球

第四週-剪刀石頭布遊戲

Song and Dance

這堂課可以愉快的開啟一天，孩子們也可以輕易的跟著一起唱和，這學期的歌曲比較長，會花比較長的時間來學習，大部分的歌曲都很有趣，有些歌曲旋律則比較慢一點。

第一~四週- Dancing Queen

Science

孩子都很喜歡自然課，雖然有些章節比較困難一點，但很高興看到孩子的學習，他們學習了有關植物的成長，和行星的名稱，也做一些實驗，孩子們都很愛。

第一週-第一課 D6-9 什麼是岩石和礦物？什麼是岩石和重要礦物質？

第二週-第二課 D12-15 土壤如何比較？什麼是土壤？為什麼土壤很重要？

第三週-第三課 D18-21 雨怎麼樣？地球的水在哪裡找到？為什麼水很重要？

第四週-第三課 D18-21 雨怎麼樣？地球的水在哪裡找到？為什麼水很重要？

Writing/Workbook

大家在書寫方面都進步很多，他們可以造句也可以拼出簡單的單字，在我們的書寫練習本裡面有簡單的文法也會學習新單字，雖然有的時候班上孩子不喜歡，雖然這堂課比較沒有那麼有趣，但我們還是會開心的進行的，在書寫時我也會提醒孩子寫字工整，將字寫在線上，以及大小寫的問題。

第一週-句子

第二週-簡單式

第三週-自然發音的單字

第四週-主教材練習本

Thematic Activity

主題活動通常是剪、貼、畫畫的有趣活動，每週不同的活動孩子都很喜歡，尤其是我們在黏一些亮亮的小紙片，雖然有時候會讓教室有些亂，但完成作品後孩子們也會一起收拾，是很好的活動。

Week 2 — 美國總統

Week 3 — 漢堡

Week 4 — 熱狗