



## Kangaroo Class Newsletter February 2017

Dear Parents,

As this will be the start of our last semester together, I just want to say how great it has been teaching Kangaroo class. Although the kids have had their ups and downs, all of them have made so much progress since they started studying here.

In this semester on top of earning more advanced grammar and sentence patterns, we will be learning different reading skills, such as reading maps, and telling directions.

### Reading

As our readers have become longer in this last semester, we will be allocating 2 weeks per book so that all the kids will be able to fully absorb all the material. The book in this month will be teaching about cooking different dishes as we talk about "Cooking with the cat", and we will find out what happens when our teeth fall out

Feb. 6th - Feb 10th "Cooking with the cat"

Feb 13th - Feb 18th "Cooking with the cat"

Feb 20th - Feb 24th "My loose tooth"

### Core Material

In this month's lessons we will be learning about animal homes and where they live. While using these topics the kids will also learn about different geographical locations such as mountains, forests and deserts. They will learn their short "U" while talking about how different animals choose the best location that is suitable for their needs and protection

Feb. 6th - Feb 10th U2 Week 2 Phonic Short U/ Animal homes

Feb 13th - Feb 18th U2 Week 2 Where do animals live together

Feb 20th - Feb 24th Review/Assessment

### Math

As the math has been getting more difficult so will the sentences that go with it. In our previous semester we talked about the vocabulary and grammar used in addition and subtraction. In this semester we will start to talk about multiplying and dividing numbers, and we will be learning how to divide or separate things into groups

Feb. 6th - Feb 10th WB F1 p01-05

Feb 13th - Feb 18th WB F1 p06-10

Feb 20th - Feb 24th WB F1 p11-14

### Physical Education

As the kids get older many of their motor skills have already improves very much. Now we will be teaching them more about working together to get a job done. Starting with some simple relays to more complicated team games such as 3-legged-race. The kids will start to learn the importance of working together, and how it's important to get along with ones team members.

Feb. 6th - Feb 10th Bucket and ball relay

Feb 13th - Feb 18th Stretcher carry

Feb 20th - Feb 24th 3-legged-race

### Thematic Activity

For these upcoming thematic lessons we will be choosing different countries for our topics. For February we will be focusing on The USA, while on this topic we will discuss different foods, historical locations and customs. While there are many different topics we will be discussing, we will only have time for a few themes. So I hope all the kids will focus on these lessons and have fun.

Feb. 6th - Feb 10<sup>th</sup> American President

Feb 13th - Feb 18<sup>th</sup> Hamburger

Feb 20th - Feb 24<sup>th</sup> Hot dog

### Science

For our science we will be learning some topics about earth and its secrets. How different minerals and substances are hidden deep within the earth and how these materials help us. Starting with soils and how they help us grow plants for our food, to water and air. All these thing are necessary for us and the world to continue as it is.

Feb. 6th - Feb 10<sup>th</sup> Rocks and minerals

Feb 13th - Feb 18<sup>th</sup> How soil helps us.

Feb 20th - Feb 24<sup>th</sup> Where water comes from

### Song and Dance

The songs that we will be learning are becoming longer and much more upbeat. As some of them might be a little difficult for the kids, we will be taking 2 or 3 weeks at a time to learn the songs. Also some of them will also teach some dance movements, like in "Dancing Queen",

Feb. 6th - Feb 10th Dancing Queen

Feb 13th - Feb 18th Dancing Queen

Feb 20th - Feb 24th Dancing Queen

### 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 mach the story line. All the kids have fun and it's a good experience for all

I also hope that you can help by reviewing the lessons with the children at home, so that they will have the opportunity to put what they learn in school into everyday use. As practice makes perfect so I hope they all will become better and better with each passing day

Thank you for reading!

Tr. Tim



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親愛的父母您們好:

我們新的學期即將開始，我想表達能教導袋鼠班是很棒的一件事。雖然孩子們在學習時狀況有起伏，但寶貝們持續進步中，因為持續在學習當中。

在這個學期課程進度，我們學習持續學習程度更深的文法和句子，我們將學習以不同方式閱讀技能，比如閱讀地圖，並告訴孩子如何知道找出地理位置。

### 閱讀

在最後一學期因為我們閱讀小書難度比較高，所以我們將分配每本書閱讀 2 週，以便所有的孩子都能夠完全吸收並閱讀。在這個月的閱讀小書將教我們如何烹飪不同方式的菜餚，我們討論“Cooking with the Cat”，以及我們會發現當牙齒脫落時會發生什麼狀況。

2 月 6 日 - 2 月 10 日 Cooking with the cat

2 月 13 日 - 2 月 18 日 Cooking with the cat

2 月 20 日 - 2 月 24 日 My loose tooth

### 主題

在這個月的課程中，我們將認識動物園和動物們住在哪裡。在學習這些主題時，孩子們還將了解不同的地理位置，比如山脈，森林和沙漠。他們將學習他們短“U”發音單字，同時談論不同的動物如何選擇適合牠們需要需居住環境。

2 月 6 日 - 2 月 10 日 U2 週 2 Phonic Short U /動物園

2 月 13 日 - 2 月 18 日 U2 第 2 週動物生活在一起

2 月 20 日 - 2 月 24 日 複習/評估

## 數學

數學程度學習越來有難度，因為我們將與句子結合再一起。在上一學期，我們討論了加法和減法中使用的詞彙和文法。在這個學期，我們將開始談論乘法和除法，我們將學習如何劃分或分離的算式

2月6日 - 2月10日 WB F1 p01-05

2月13日 - 2月18日 WB F1 p06-10

2月20日 - 2月24日 WB F1 p11-14

## 體能

隨著孩子們年齡增長，孩子們許多運動技能已經提高很多。現在我們將教他們更多同心合力一起努力完成工作。從一些簡單的體能活動到更複雜的團隊遊戲，比如兩人三腳比賽。孩子們將開始學習共同工作的重要性，以及與團隊合作的重要性。

2月6日 - 2月10日 打棒球

2月13日 - 2月18日 擔架

2月20日 - 2月24日 兩人三腳比賽

## 主題活動

對於這些即將到來的主題課程，我們的主題將選擇認識不同的國家。對於2月，我們將重點放在認識美國，在這個主題我們將討論不同的食物，歷史位置和習俗。雖然有很多不同的主題活動，我們將放在討論幾個重要主題。所以我希望所有的孩子們將專注學習於這些課程病蟲中得到樂趣。

2月6日 - 2月10日 美國總統

2月13日 - 2月18日 漢堡

2月20日 - 2月24日 熱狗

## 科學

對於我們的科學課程將學習一些關於地球及地球奧秘的主題。比如說認識不同的礦物和物質藏在地球深處，以及這些物質如對我們有那些幫助。從土壤開始它們如何幫助我們可以種植植物或成為我們的食物，水和空氣。這些物質對人類和世界是必需品。

2月6日 - 2月10日 岩石和礦物

2月13日 - 2月18日 土壤的作用

2月20日 - 2月24日 水從哪裡來

## 歌曲和舞蹈

我們將要學習的歌曲歌詞變得更長。在歌曲中的歌詞對一些孩子們可能有點困難，我們將使用2或3週的時間來學習這些歌曲。還會教一些舞蹈動作，比如“舞蹈皇后”，

2月6日 - 2月10日 舞蹈女王

2月13日 - 2月18日 舞蹈女王

2月20日 - 2月24日 舞蹈女王

## 圖書館/故事時間

每個星期我和孩子們有圖書館故事時間和借閱書籍。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。

我也希望家長在家裡能幫孩子們複習，讓寶貝們有機會在日常生活中使用所學的。隨著在日常生活中實際運用，我相信寶貝們每一天都會變得更進步，更厲害。

感謝您的閱讀！

Tr. Tim