



Dolphin Class Newsletter July 2017

Hello Parents,

It's the last month of the semester and I will be in England for the whole of the month, Teacher Chalsey will be covering the class for me, she has already substituted for Frog class and they liked her a lot, so I am sure Dolphin class will like her too. I will be back from August 1st, next semester there will be a few changes to the curriculum, overall I think these are positive changes.

I hope you enjoyed the reading competition, the books this year had some tricky words, so I think the class did well.

Core Material

This month is a review month, we have a lot of time for practice and I will try and find some interesting things for the class to look at and discuss so we are not just going over and over the material they have already done.

Week 1: Review

Week 2: Review

Week 3: Review

Week 4: Review + Assessment + Spelling

Writing

We will have a new writing book this semester and the kids will have to write short sentences. Additionally there is also a monthly assessment and a grammar book which the kids will also use for writing. This semester we have a large grammar workbook which teaches things like plurals and has space for the kids to write with their own sentences so I am encouraging them to think of their own sentences.

Reading

This semester's books are fairly similar to last semester's although some of them have slightly longer sentences. The books are a good way to expand the classes vocabulary and I like to Q&A about the books so that the story class can be also be a speaking class and an opportunity for the students to think about what is happening in the stories and develop their comprehension skills.

The books for the July are as follows:

Week 1: Scat, Cat

Week 2: Paddington Plays On

Week 3: PJ Funnybunny Camps Out

Week 4: Review

Math

This semester is fairly will start out fairly similar to last semester with a focus on counting and matching. Later in the semester we will move onto pattern recognition and other things that will be new to the kids. This semester's MPM box has a lot of things inside that the kids enjoy playing with and using.

This month we will be doing a lot of counting and addition but also grouping objects based on common properties. We will also continue with more/less and look at the most and the least. These are useful sentence patterns for the kids to learn.

Week 1: Big Book

Week 2: Functions

Week 3: Functions

Week 4: Paths

Physical Education

I plan and implement activities for the classes each week. The students have a good mix of different games to play during PE classes, the students will have lots of fun. For PE I like to give the students obstacle courses and relay races and other activities that are fairly easy to understand.

Week 1: Bridge Building Race

Week 2: 1,2,3 Stop

Week 3: Obstacle Course

Week 4: Grab the Baton

Thematic Activity

The English teachers get an opportunity to plan a month of thematic activities. These can consist of art projects, a short field trip to the park, or a class project to be done within the classroom. July's thematic lessons will be about America.

Week 1: The Statue of Liberty

Week 2: Native American Craft

Week 3: Teepee

Week 4: American Food

Song and Dance

The school day starts with song and dance. The children get the chance to move around and have some fun before we start our first class. I also like to have them practice between classes or at the end of the day sometimes so that the students have the opportunity to move around and have some fun rather than sit for extended periods of time.

Week 1: Rock-a-bye-baby

Week 2: Rock-a-bye-baby

Week 3: Thanks a lot

Week 4: Thanks a lot

See you next time!

Teacher Kevin



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親愛的家長：

這學學期的最後一個月我會回到英國一個月的時間，Teacher Chalsey 會協助代課，她曾經在 Frog Class 代過課，孩子們都很喜歡她，我相信 Dolphin Class 也會很喜歡 Teacher Chalsey。我會在八月一號回到學校，新的學期開始在可成表上會有一些變動，總體而言這是很有幫助的調整。

希望大家都很享受這次的閱讀比賽，今年的書籍裡面有一些較困難的字，但我知道大家表現也會很好的。

主教材

這個月份為複習月，我們會有許多練習的時間，我也會找出好玩的事物讓大家觀看及討論，大家不會只是一直重複練習已經教過的教材。

- Week 1: 複習
- Week 2: 複習
- Week 3: 複習
- Week 4: 複習 + 評量 + 拼字

書寫

在這學期我們會有書寫練習的書，孩子們要書寫短句，除此之外，每個月會有一個評量的練習，還一本孩子們會運用在寫作上的文法書，這學期我們會有文法練習本，裡面的內容例如有名詞的複數以及足夠的空間讓孩子可以自己書寫句子，我鼓勵他們可以自己造句。

閱讀

這學期的故事書和上學期的內容十分相似，故事中有較長的句子，閱讀這些書是一個很好的方式去增加課堂上的字彙，我也喜歡提出關於書的問題，所以閱讀課可以有會話課的練習，並讓孩子有機會去思考故事的內容並增加他們的閱讀理解能力。七月的故事為：

- Week 1: Scat, Cat
- Week 2: Paddington Plays On
- Week 3: PJ Funnybunny Camps Out

Week 4: 複習

數學

這學期的重點會與上學期類似，大家會練習數數字和配合，而之後我們會進入形狀認知及其他對於孩子而言較新的教材。這學期的 MPM 寶盒裡有許多物件孩子很喜歡玩和使用。這個月份我們會有許多數數字和加法的練習，以及依照物件的特性做分組。我們也會持續練習更多/少於，最多/最少，這都是很實用的句型讓孩子學習。

Week 1: Big Book

Week 2: 數字跟圖像的對應

Week 3: 數字跟圖像的對應

Week 4: 路徑

體能

每週的課程我會計劃並實行活動，學生在體能課中有不同的遊戲融合一起玩，大家會玩得很愉快。體能課的部分，我喜歡讓孩子做障礙賽、接力賽，或是其他較易了解的活動。

Week 1: 造橋比賽

Week 2: 123 木頭人

Week 3: 障礙賽

Week 4: 接力棒

主題活動:

英文老師會計劃每個月的主題活動。這些活動中包含藝術，到公園戶外活動，或在教室中完成全班的任務，七月的主題為美國。

Week 1: 自由女神

Week 2: 美國印第安人

Week 3: 帳篷

Week 4: 美國食物

歌曲律動

每天上課前會從歌曲和舞蹈開始。孩子們有機會在第一節課開始前可以動一動身體並開心地享受。我也會請孩子在課與課中間或是一天課程結束前做一些活動，讓他們可以有機會動動身體並開心地享受這段時間，而不是再坐更久的時間。

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See you next time!

Teacher Kevin