



Zebra Class Newsletter October 2017

Dear parents,

Last month everyone has improved in many areas. We are a lot faster in our daily routines. From bathroom breaks and making lines, to putting away things and getting ready for class time everyone is getting more and more familiar with our basic routines. Everyone is also getting used to working together as a class and how to interact with each other. At first it is a little hard for children to get used to working together as a class and of course having to ask a teacher before they do anything (go to the bathroom, drink water, get something, etc) is a new concept to them and taking a little getting used to. However, everyone is responding well to this and now most of the children in Zebra class knows how to ask before doing something.

Last month I also started setting down some basic rule last month (no running, no hitting, play nicely, listen to the teacher, etc). I highly value teaching manners in class as I feel it is just as important as their academic subjects. Starting to teach them basic manner early on and getting them into a good habit of being polite and thoughtful of other people will really help them when they are a little older and our class has more rules.

This month I'm sad to say that I will gone for three weeks. I wish I didn't have to leave Zebra for this long of a time so early on in K3, however I have some family obligations in the United States that I must go for. I will be leaving on October 3rd and retuning on October 27th. I hope none of the children miss me too much and I'll make sure to give everyone extra love and attention before I leave and when I come back.

Tr. Steven will be subbing for me when I'm gone. He is a very professional and experienced teacher and has a lot of experience teaching different age groups and of course had taught kindergarten for many years. I trust him to take good care of Zebra class and hope you won't worry too much about them. I will be back for our field trip and Halloween activity. I am looking forward to having a fun outing with our class and also seeing everyone's outfits on Halloween.

Reading Class

Reading class is very important for helping the students start to learn sight reading and reinforcing new vocabulary words they've learned. This month the students will be reading some very educational books that teach really important English words and sentences that the students can then use in the classroom. Sentence structures like "I can, we can" and "I like...." will be very useful for them to be able to use use in

class. They will practice the book many times throughout the week so hopefully they will start to recognize more and more sight words. They will also continue to practice following along with their fingers and holding the book nicely.

- Week 1: "What am I?"
- Week 2: "Review
- Week 3: "I can, we can"
- Week 4: "Hats"

Core Material Class/ Phonics

Last month's core material book, Start Smart, was a great start to helping them learn new sentence structures and action words. This next book, Unit 1, will build on everything they've already learned in class and teach them all kinds of new words and sentence structures. Some very useful things that will learn include "I can, we can" and "Can I?". They will also learn some new sight words and practice their phonics and the letter sounds as they read through the book. They will also continue to work on the alphabet and their sounds a lot throughout this month.

- Week 1: Unit 1
- Week 2: Review *
- Week 3: Unit 1
- Week 4: Unit 1

Maths

Last month the students worked a lot on numbers, colors, and shapes. The students can already name some colors and shapes. And most of them are able to count to 10. Next month we will continue to review these important basics, as well as learn some new things like animals and some new objects. They will also start to group objects into numbers and count them. They also can start comparing objects and saying which one is bigger or smaller. We may even start to trace some simple numbers, although they might take some time to learn how to write them. They will also continue learning how to draw lines and match to correct answers.

- Week 1: MPM A3: Page 6-10
- Week 2: Review
- Week 3: MPM A3: Page 11-14
- Week 4: MPM A3: Page 15-18

Physical Education

The students really enjoy Physical Education class and as they are getting more at home at in school and making more and more friends, I think they are able to play more actively and participate better in P.E. class. We will be playing some fun team building and competitive games. Tag is especially fun for them, as they really enjoy running around to get at their energy. We will also play car races this month. For this activity the students can pick a toy car to ride in and pedal with their feet to see which students can cross the finish line first. They will also have to practice staying in their lane so they don't bump into the other cars.

- Week 1: London Bridge
- Week 2: Car Races
- Week 3: Tag
- Week 4: Ring Around the Rosy

Song and Dance

Our song and dance class is a great way for the students to learn new words and conversation. Last month they learned a lot and they are able to sing all kinds of songs now. Next month they will be learning "Little monkeys jumping on the bed" which is a great way to help them learn the numbers, as they will be counting backwards from five. "Polly and Paul play the piano" and "bus" are also really great songs for learning new vocabulary words and sentences. They will also learn some fun actions for go along with these songs. I'm sure they will all enjoy it a lot.

Week 1: Little monkeys jumping on the bed
Week 2: Polly and Paul play the piano
Week 3: Polly and Paul play the piano
Week 4: Bus

Conversation Class

This month the students will be learning a lot in conversation class. In Unit 7, they will be learning “What is he?” and new vocabulary words like “He is a dentist/farmer. She is a doctor/firefighter.” It might take them a while to learn these new professions but it will be very useful for them to use in their everyday life. They will also learn “I am” and “I am not”. As we teach them these new sentences, the students will also learn how to apply it by saying phrases like “I am a student.” The students will be learning a lot of new and useful English this month and I am excited to see how they apply it in class.

Week 1: Unit 7
Week 2: Review
Week 3: Unit 8
Week 4: Unit 9



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親愛的家長：

上個月，大家在各方面都有所進步。我們在日常生活中，時間上掌握得更好。從休息到排隊，將東西歸位，準備好上課，每個人都越來越熟悉常規。每個人也習慣於一起活動，以及如何互相交流。一開始，一起活動對孩子們來說有點困難，當然在做任何事情之前一定要問老師（去洗手間，喝水，拿東西等），這對他們來說是一個新的概念。然而，每個人對此都有很好的回應，現在斑馬班的大多數孩子們在做事情之前都知道該如何問。

上個月我也開始制定一些基本規則（不在教室奔跑，不打架，聽老師的話等）。我非常重視課堂上的教學方式，因為我覺得這與課程同樣重要。開始教他們基本的禮貌，讓他們養成有禮貌和為他人著想的好習慣，真的會幫助到他們，當他們慢慢長大，我們班會有更多的規矩。

抱歉的是，這個月我會請假三個星期。我希望在 K3 的開始，我不要離開斑馬班這麼久一段時間，但是我在美國有一些家務使我必須去。我將於 10 月 3 日離開，10 月 27 日回來。我希望孩子不要太想念我，我會確保在我離開之前和回來時給予孩子們額外的愛和關注。

在我離開的這段時間，Steven 老師將會為我接下這個班級。他是一名非常專業和經驗豐富的老師，具有不同年齡層的教學經驗，當然教幼兒園多年，我相信他會照顧好斑馬班，請家長們不用太擔心。我將回來參加我們的戶外教學和萬聖節活動。我期待著與我們班上有一個有趣的戶外教學，還有看到每個人的萬聖節服裝。

閱讀課

閱讀課對於幫助學生開始學習閱讀和重新加強他們學到的新詞彙非常重要。這個月，學生們將會讀一些非常有教育意義的書籍，這些書籍教授的是非常重要的英語單詞和演講，讓學生可以在課堂上使用。句型結構如“我可以，我們可以”和“我喜歡...” 將對他們在課堂上使用是非常有幫助的。他們將在一周內多次練習，希望他們開始認識越來越多的單字。他們也將繼續練習跟著他們的手指以及好好地拿著書。

第一週：“What am I?”

第二週：“Review

第三週：“I can, we can”

第四週：“Hats”

核心材料/ 自然發音

上個月的核心材料書 “Start Smart” 是幫助他們學習新的句子結構和動詞的一個好的開始。下一本書，第一單元，將建立在他們已經在課堂上學到的一切，並教他們各種新的單詞和句子結構。一些非常有用的東西包括“我可以，我們可以”和“我可以嗎？” 他們還將學習一些新的單字，練習他們的發音，並在他們閱讀時聽到這些單字的聲音。他們還將在本月繼續在字母表和他們的聲音上練習。

第一週:Unit 1

第二週:Review *

第三週:Unit 1

第四週:Unit 1

數學

上個月，學生在數字，顏色和形狀上練習了很多。學生們已經可以命名一些顏色和形狀。其中大部分都可以從 1 數到 10 了。下個月，我們將繼續複習這些重要的基礎知識，並學習一些新的東西，如動物和一些新東西。他們還將開始將物件分成數字並統計他們。他們也可以開始比較物件，並說出一個較大的物件。我們甚至可能會開始練習一些簡單的數字，儘管他們可能需要一些時間來學習如何書寫它們。他們還將繼續學習如何畫線連接正確答案。

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體能課

學生真的喜歡體育課，隨著在學校學習越來越多，朋友也越來越多，我覺得他們能夠更積極地參與體育課。我們將會玩一些有趣的團隊建立和競爭性的遊戲。對他們來說特別有趣，因為他們真的很喜歡跑步來獲得精力。我們也將在本地舉辦賽車比賽。對於這項活動，學生可以選擇一輛玩具車乘坐並用腳踩踏，看看哪些學生可以先穿過終點線。他們也必須練習留在自己的車道，才不會碰到其他車。

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唱歌律動

我們的歌舞課是學生學習新單字和會話的好方法。上個月他們學到了很多，他們現在可以唱各種歌曲。下個月他們將會學習“睡在床上的小猴子”，這是一個幫助他們學習數字的好方法，因為他們將從五開始倒數。“波利和保羅彈鋼琴”，“巴士”也是學習新詞彙及句子的好歌曲。他們還會學習一些有趣的動作，跟著這些歌曲。我相信他們都會很樂在其中。

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會話

這個月，學生將會在會話課上學到很多東西。在第七單元中，他們會學習“他是什麼”，還有新詞彙如“他是牙醫/農民”，她是一名醫生/消防員”這可能需要一些時間才能學習這些新的職業，但對於他們在日常生活中的使用來說，這將是非常有用的。他們也會學習“我是”和“我不是”。當我們教他們這些新的句子時，學生也會學習如何應用它，用“我是一個學生”這樣的短語。學生們將在本月學習很多新的和有用的英語，我很高興看到他們應用於課堂中。

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