

Dolphin Class Newsletter

January 2018

Hello Parents,

This is the last full month before Chinese new year, and the class have made good progress in both writing and speaking. We have the school reading contest this this month, the class can read all the books very well already.

Core Material:

We are starting the new core material book, which means the class get something new to discuss. This month's chapter is about a boys journey to school and the things he sees on the way.

Week 1: Unit 3 Week 1 – What Time Is It?

Week 2: Unit 3 Week 1 – Phonics: Long a

Week 3: Unit 3 Week 1 – Words to Know: away, now, some, today, way, why

Week 4: Review

Writing workbook

January's chapter of Write Now focuses on the present continuous. The Jump book, covers “do you/they have” Obviously these are fairly simple concepts that the kids have already learned so I will try to introduce some new words for them to use in these sentences. For this reason I also ask the class what they do at the weekends, so they can practice using the past tense. We also play 20 questions so that they class can get some practice asking questions.

Phonics

For January, we are reviewing a number of things – long vowels, words that end in “le” and compound words. (like mailbox.)

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 January are as follows:

Week 1: Review

Week 2: Kim's Trip to Hawaii

Week 3: Prepare for Reading Contest

Week 4: How Does Your Salad Grow?

Week 5: Catch up and Review

Math

MPM will remain the same, we will use the same kind of materials and do the same kind of exercises. The final years MPM has more of a focus on addition and subtraction. This month will start book 5, which covers a range of different subjects including addition and correspondence. We will also do more than/less than, which is good practice for the class.

Week 1: Subtraction

Week 2: Correspondence

Week 3: Counting and subtraction

Week 4: Review

Week 5: Review

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: Tricycle Race

Week 2: 1,2,3 Stop

Week 3: Obstacle Course

Week 4: Grab the Baton

Week 5: Sack Race

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. January's thematic lessons will be about Winter.

Week 1: Winter

Week 2: Winter

Week 3: Winter

Week 4: Winter

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: When We Work Together

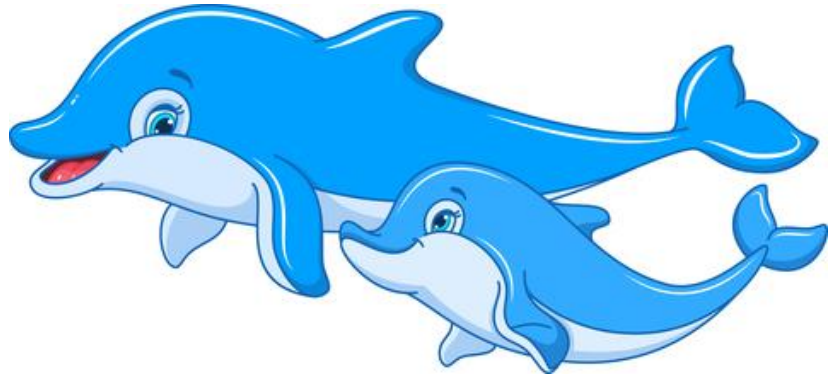
Week 2: When We Work Together

Week 3: A Goat in a Boat

Week 4: A Goat in a Boat

Week 5: A Goat in a Boat

See you next time!
Teacher Kevin



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親愛的爸爸媽媽，

在農曆新年前最後一個月，大家在寫作及口語上有很大的進步，這個月有閱讀比賽，目前大家都能讀出所有書籍的內容。

主教材

這個月我們開始了新的主教材，孩子們有新的主題可以去討論，本次的主題是關於一位小男孩去上學的旅程，還有在一路上他所看到的事物。

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書寫

1 月份 Write Now 書寫的主題為現在進行式，另一本寫作的書-The Jump book 主要會著重在 do you/ they have，這對孩子們而言是一個容易討論的主題，因為大家已經有學習過這些字，因此我會介紹新的單字，讓大家可以在句子中使用，我會詢問大家周末做了甚麼事情，讓大家練習過去式的使用。我們也會玩 20 問題的遊戲，讓大家可以練習造問句。

自然發音

一月份的發音課，我們會複習幾項重點，長母音，結尾 le 的單字和複合字(例如 mailbox 信箱)。

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。一月份的故事如下。

Week 1: 複習

Week 2: Kim's Trip to Hawaii

Week 3: 閱讀比賽準備

Week 4: How Does Your Salad Grow?

Week 5: 複習

數學

MPM 會持續使用相同的教材及練習，最後一年的 MPM 的重點會放在加法及減法，這個月的 MPM 數學使用 book 5，主題涵蓋加法，對應，我們也會練習 more than/ less than，這對大家是很好的練習。

Week 1: 減法

Week 2: 對應

Week 3: 數數字及減法

Week 4: 複習

Week 5: 複習

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: 三輪車比賽

Week 2: 123 木頭人

Week 3: 障礙賽

Week 4: 大隊接力

Week 5: 布袋比賽

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，一月的主題為冬天。

Week 1~5: 冬天

歌曲音樂

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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