



## **2018 Whale Class Letter (January)**

Dear Whale Class parents,

I am pleased to report that we are up to date with all the book work we have set. We have also gone back to complete some pages that were skipped over before I got here, and have made good progress in helping the students at the bottom of the bell curve to catch up with the basic skills a kindergarten imparts.

We have done a lot of work on interpersonal relationships, on sharing, and on personal responsibility. They have learned a lot from playing and working together.

Now that the basics are covered, we can start to do more difficult homework, and do homework three times a week instead of the two times we had before. From now on, they will have homework on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. As before, unless the homework is handwriting practice, which they can do themselves, we will do the homework together in class, and send a copy home for your reference.

*We are doing more speaking practice in grammar class, and I am providing more examples for how to use each word in the Wonders book.*

*We continue to use the Ladybird Keywords system in the extra reading class that some of them have with me.*

*For phonics, in addition to the set book, Sadlier Phonics, I am using the simple phonics in the McGraw Hill Wonders book for activities in class, and for handwriting practice.*

*Handwriting is hard for little children. We practice each week, and I am spending extra time with the seven students who need help with writing the most. We do practice pages, and we also use writing in some of our games. All the writing I do on the board uses the same font as their practice pages and homework. At the moment, the children enjoy writing sometimes. I will make sure not to overload them and will give a lot of praise and encouragement.*

*For reading, we use the McGraw Hill Wonders, and Scholastic everyday books. We read together, in teams, and individually. A few of the students are not able to read yet, and they are getting extra help from me when I can spare time. For extra help, I am using the book 'Teach your Child to Read in 100 lessons' by Siegfried Engelmann. It is one of the best resources for teaching basic literacy, but unfortunately we have very little time to work on it, because it needs to be done one on one.*

The following pages detail the December schedule by subject.

Yours reasonably,

- Taliesin Hoyle (Teacher Tal)

#### READING

WEEK 1 Review

WEEK 2 Story Book – Inu Duck’s Toy      Core Material Book (Unit 2 Week 3) – Life at Home

WEEK 3 Prepare for Reading Contest      Core Material Book (Unit 2 Week 3) – Life at Home

WEEK 4 Story Book – I Can Do It All      Core Material Book (Unit 2 Week 3) – Life at Home

WEEK 5 Review

#### PHONICS

WEEK 1 Phonics Workbook (page 103, 106) syllables

WEEK 2 Phonics Workbook (page 107 to 110) compound words

WEEK 3 Phonics Workbook (page 111 to 114) words ending in -le

WEEK 4 Phonics Workbook (page 115 to 118) silent letters

WEEK 5 Review

#### VOCABULARY

Vocabulary will be from the McGraw-Hill Reading Wonders books, and other words that I will take from the phonics book and small readers.

#### WRITING

WEEK 1 Write Now (page 44 to 45) Froggy’s Day

WEEK 2 Write Now (page 46 to 47) My Family Likes Playing

WEEK 3 Write Now (page 48 to 49) My Family Likes Playing

WEEK 4 Write Now (page 50 to 51) My Funny Family

WEEK 5 Write Now (page 52) My Funny Family

#### GRAMMAR

WEEK 1 Grammar Workbook (page 44 to 45) Do / don’t / does / doesn’t

WEEK 2 Grammar Workbook (page 46 to 47) Belongings 2 Do you have...

WEEK 3 Grammar Workbook (page 48 to 49) Does he/she have... Do they have...

WEEK 4 Grammar Workbook (page 50 to 51) Present simple

WEEK 5 Grammar Workbook (page 52) Spelling review

#### MATH

WEEK 1 Math Workbook (Level E5) – pages 6 to 10 - Subtraction

WEEK 2 Math Workbook (Level E5) – pages 11 to 14 - Subtraction

WEEK 3 Math Workbook (Level E4) – pages 15 to 18 - Subtraction

WEEK 4 Review

WEEK 5 Review

#### SONGS

WEEK 1 Friends

WEEK 2 Friends

WEEK 3 Yellow Submarine

WEEK 4 Yellow Submarine

WEEK 5 Yellow Submarine



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我很高興地告訴大家，班上孩子們已經掌握了所有的課程內容，我們完成了之前一些在我尚未來到之前所跳過的頁面。並且幫助一些程度相較於落後的孩子趕上在幼兒園學習階段必須學會的基本技能方面上取得了很好的進展。

我們也在人際關係方面做了很多工作，分享，和個人責任，他們從玩耍和工作中學到了很多東西。

現在，孩子們都已經學習到最基本的課業內容，我們將可以開始進行更難的功課，目前規劃每週做三次作業，而不是像以往的兩次作業；從現在開始，他們將會在星期一、星期三和星期五有作業；像之前一樣，除非作業是手寫練習，孩子們可以自己獨力完成。其餘作業內容將在課堂上一起寫，並發回一份副本供您參考。

我們在文法課程上做了更多的演講練習，我正在提供更多的例子來說明如何使用 Wonders 書中的每個單詞。我們繼續在額外的閱讀課程上使用關鍵字系統，這些課程中的內容是和我有一些相關連。

對於自然發音，除了一套書，Sadlier Phonics，我在 McGraw Hill Wonders 書中使用簡單的發音來進行課堂中的活動，和寫作練習。

寫作練習對於小孩來說是非常困難，我們將在每週練習一次，我花了額外的時間與七個需要寫作最多幫助的學生；我們做寫作練習，我們也進行了一些遊戲寫作；所有我寫在黑板上做使用相同的字體作為他們的實踐頁面和作業；在這一刻，孩子們喜歡寫作，我會確保不超載他們，並會給予很多的讚揚和鼓勵。

閱讀方面，我們使用 McGraw Hill Wonders 和 Scholastic 的日常書籍；我們分組一起閱讀；若有幾個孩子都還無法獨自閱讀時，我可以騰出額外的時間，讓它們得到額外的幫助；我正在使用 Siegfried Engelmann 的“教你的孩子在 100 節課中閱讀”一書它是教授基本文化的最佳資源之一，但不幸的是我們沒有多少時間來開展工作，因為它需要一對一地完成。

如果家長若想與我聯繫，以下將是我的信箱 talhoyle@yahoo.com；各位家長可以寄信給我，我將盡快回信。以下幾頁詳細介紹了 1 月的主題

- Taliesin Hoyle (Teacher Tal)

## 閱讀

第一週 複習

第二週 Story Book – Inu Duck’s Toy      Core Material Book (Unit 2 Week 3) – Life at Home

第三週 Prepare for Reading Contest      Core Material Book (Unit 2 Week 3) – Life at Home

第四週 Story Book – I Can Do It All      Core Material Book (Unit 2 Week 3) – Life at Home

第五週 複習

## 自然發音

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第五週 複習

## 字彙

字彙都是從 McGraw-Hill Reading Wonders ，自然發音或是閱讀小書裡面挑選出來的。

## 寫作

第一週 Write Now (page 44 to 45) Froggy’s Day

第二週 Write Now (page 46 to 47) My Family Likes Playing

第三週 Write Now (page 48 to 49) My Family Likes Playing

第四週 Write Now (page 50 to 51) My Funny Family

第五週 Write Now (page 52) My Funny Family

## 文法

第一週 文法教材 (第 44-45 頁) Do / don’t / does / doesn’t

第二週 文法教材 (第 46-47 頁) Belongings 2 Do you have...

第三週 文法教材 (第 48-49 頁) Does he/she have... Do they have...

第四週 文法教材 (第 50-51 頁) Present simple

第五週 文法教材 (第 52 頁) Spelling review

## 數學

第一週 數學教材(Level E5) – pages 6 to 10 – 減法

第二週 數學教材 (Level E5) – pages 11 to 14 – 減法

第三週 數學教材 (Level E4) – pages 15 to 18 – 減法

第四週 複習

第五週 複習

## 歌曲

第一週 Friends

第二週 Friends

第三週 Yellow Submarine

第四週 Yellow Submarine

第五週 Yellow Submarine