



## **Deer Class Newsletter July 2018**

Dear Parents,

Last month was very productive and a lot of fun. The students got a lot of practice with reading and phonics, writing, and conversation. We played a lot of interactive games and even used a fun stamp-card system to encourage them to write nicely and pay close attention in class. I think that the students have all made so much progress and I couldn't be more proud of them for all their hard work and dedication. In reading class, the students have been able to take longer and more complex books and understand and read them. And in phonics, the students have started being able to read a whole host of words all on their own and very quickly. I am so excited to help them continue to learn and grow.

This next month I will be leaving the country to take a trip back to the United States. I will be gone for most of July so Teacher Zain will be substituting in Deer Class for a few weeks. Teacher Zain has subbed for classes in Marshal before so he is very familiar with the curriculum and facilities. He is also a lot of fun and I think the students will really like him. As next month is the last month of this school year, Teacher Zain will mostly be focusing on review and making sure all of the books in the curriculum are wrapped up.

I have prepared a list of games, class plans, and activities to leave with Teacher Zain to use in Deer Class during the month of July. We will have games with flashcards, dice, and balls, as well as activities to practice their reading, listening, speaking and more. If you have any questions or while I'm gone you can feel free to talk to Teacher Dale. I'm sure everything will run very smoothly and the students will be really excited about meeting a new teacher. I will be returning in August and starting the beginning of the new semester with them on August 6<sup>th</sup>. I am looking forward to the new school year and I'm sure I will miss all the students so much on my trip.

### **Reading Class**

As I mentioned above, I will be out of the country next month so Teacher Zain will be handling all of the reading classes. The students have some fairly complex books this month like "What comes in a shell?" which discusses different types of sea life and "A tree can be" which features some complex sentence structures. But I'm sure the students will do great nonetheless. Teacher Zain will help them to read the reading books out loud and discuss the stories all together. I think the students will learn so much next month, as these stories are educational as well as fun to read. Listed below is the curriculum schedule for this month of classes.

- Week 1: Swing, Swing, Swing
- Week 2: A Tree Can Be...
- Week 3: What Comes in a Shell?
- Week 4: Review

#### Phonics Class

Last month we mostly finished all up required pages in the Sadlier Phonics book and we completed our sections on the short vowels A-E-I-O-U. We even began a basic introduction to the long vowels and started reading some more complex words. So our focus for the next month will be almost entirely on review, using a combination of worksheets, stories and games to help the students practice their reading and pronunciation. Teacher Zain will work on them one-on-one to make sure they understand the words and can start to read on their own. I believe that this foundation will be fundamental to their reading skills in the future so I'm very glad that they have this opportunity to spend so much time on review. Listed below is the curriculum schedule for this month of classes.

- Week 1: Sadlier, Phonics: Page 145-146 Short Vowel a
- Week 2: Sadlier, Phonics: Page 147-148 Short Vowel a
- Week 3: Sadlier, Phonics: Page 156-157 Short Vowel i
- Week 4: Sadlier, Phonics: Review

#### Core Material Class

Last month we used our core material books a lot. I have been helping the students go back and review some of our previous books now that their reading level has so greatly improved and they're able to read so many of the stories on their own. Next month teacher Zain will be using these books a lot to help them practice their reading and work on their grammar and spoken English. I think the students have already learned so much through these books, as they are able to teach such a wide variety of things. So I'm glad the students can continue to use these to broaden their horizons. Listed below is the curriculum schedule for this month of classes.

- Week 1: Unit 10 A Good Time for Luke!
- Week 2: Unit 10 We Come on Time
- Week 3: Unit 10 Who Can Help?
- Week 4: Review

#### Math Class

This the students will be doing MPM book B5 with Teacher Zain. In this book they will be working a lot more with numbers and patterns, essentially taking the work they've done in the past and compounding on it and doing more complex versions of the activities. They will also work more with groups and matching. I think these skills are very important for them to learn and it is very helpful for them to get this regular problem solving skills practice like they do in math class. Listed below is the curriculum schedule for this month of classes.

- Week 1: B5: Page 6-10 Path
- Week 2: B5: Page 11-14 Spatial Correspondence
- Week 3: B5: Page 15-18 Comparison of lengths
- Week 4: Review

#### Conversation Class

Last month the students had a lot of time to practice conversation on their own. We did a lot of open discussion time where I asked them questions and we discussed things such as "what's your favorite food?" and "How are you feeling today". Next month with Teacher Zain the students will be learning some very useful sentence structures from their conversation books such as "Why" questions like "Why is the boy sad" and "Because his ice-cream fell". I think the students will have a lot of fun with this and it will definitely help them in the future. Listed below is the curriculum schedule for this month of classes.

- Week 1: Unit 31 Verb
- Week 2: Unit 32 have/ has
- Week 3: Review
- Week 4: Review

#### Physical Education

Last month we had so much fun participating in the Dragon Boat Festival event at Marshal School. In honor of Dragon Boat Festival the children did a lot of different activities such as making head bands, participating in races and even trying to stand eggs upright. I think the students especially enjoyed running in the race, and they even got to see some of their teachers run. Next month Teacher Zain will be doing some fun activities with them for Physical Education Class. I think this will also be a great chance for them to get to know him and spend some time together as they play. Listed below is the curriculum schedule for this month of classes.

- Week 1: Ball Pit
- Week 2: Obstacle Course
- Week 3: Freeze Dance
- Week 4: Racing

#### Song and Dance

Last month the students learned some very fun and useful songs. This month the students will learn Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star, which is a wonderful song for them to know as it is so popular in many English speaking countries. I'm sure Teacher Zain will also have some fun, new songs to introduce them as well. I think they will be able to learn so much and have a blast dancing to all their favorite dance songs. Listed below is the curriculum schedule for this month of classes.

- Week 1: Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star
- Week 2: Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star
- Week 3: Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star
- Week 4: Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star



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親愛的家長：

上個月的課程進度十分有成效也很有趣。孩子們透過閱讀和拼音、寫作和對話獲得了很多練習。我們玩了很多互動遊戲，甚至還加入了新的獎勵制度，就是利用一張有趣的郵票卡，完成習題的孩子們給予印章，鼓勵他們在課堂上更用心更細心，並給予獎勵。我認為學生們都有很大的進步，我為他們的勤奮努力和奉獻而感到驕傲。在閱讀課上，學生能夠閱讀更長更複雜的書籍並理解和應用。在語音學方面，學生們漸漸能夠很快地閱讀大量的文字。我很高興能幫助他們繼續學習和成長。

下個月，我將暫時離開學校回美國旅行。整個7月我都會在美國，所以 Teacher Zain 將會替代我為 Deer Class 代課課堂幾週。Teacher Zain 之前在本校帶過課，所以他非常熟悉課程和設施。他也十分很有趣，我想孩子們會非常喜歡他。由於下個月是本學年的最後一個月，Teacher Zain 將會著重在複習並確保課程中的所有書籍都已經完成。

我準備了一份遊戲、課程計劃和活動清單，讓 Teacher Zain 在七月份期間能夠了解 Deer Class 的課程。我們將有閃卡，骰子和球的遊戲，以及練習閱讀、聽力及口語等活動。在我回美的這段期間如果您有任何問題，您可以隨時告知 Teacher Dale。我相信一切都會順利進行，學生們會很高興見到一位新老師。我將於8月份回國，並於8月6日開始新學期。我期待新學年的到來，我在旅途中也會非常想念所有的學生。

### Reading Class

正如我上面提到的，下個月我將會出國，所以 Teacher Zain 將會帶領孩子進行所有的閱讀課。本月會有一些相當複雜的書籍，例如“*What Comes in a Shell?*”，它討論了不同類型的人生觀，以及“*A Tree Can Be...*”，其中有一些複雜的句子結構。但我相信學生們會做得很好。Teacher Zain 會幫助他們大聲朗讀閱讀書，並一起討論這些故事。我認為下個月學生會學到很多東西，因為這些故事既有教育意義又有樂趣可讀。以下為本月課程進度表：

Week 1: Swing, Swing, Swing  
Week 2: A Tree Can Be...  
Week 3: What Comes in a Shell?  
Week 4: Review

#### Phonics Class

上個月，我們大多完成了 Phonics 書中所有需要的進度，同時也完成了關於短元音 A-E-I-O-U 的章節。我們甚至開始對長元音進行基本介紹，並閱讀一些更複雜的單詞。所以我們下個月的重點將會利用故事和遊戲來幫助學生練習閱讀和發音。Teacher Zain 將一對一地為他們複習，他們理解這些單詞，並可以開始自己閱讀。我相信這個基礎對於他們將來的閱讀技能是非常重要的，所以我很高興他們有機會花費這麼多時間在複習上。以下為本月課程進度表：

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Week 2: Sadlier, Phonics: Page 147-148 Short Vowel a  
Week 3: Sadlier, Phonics: Page 156-157 Short Vowel i  
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#### Core Material Class

上個月，我們使用了很多核心材料書籍。我一直在幫助學生閱讀以前的一些書籍，現在閱讀水平已經有很大的提升，他們能夠自己閱讀許多的故事。下個月，Teacher Zain 將會使用這些書籍來幫助他們練習閱讀和練習他們的語法和口語。我認為學生們已經通過這些書學到了很多東西，尤其是在核心教材方面提供許多種類的教學類型。所以我很高興學生們可以繼續使用這些來拓寬他們的視野。以下為本月課程進度表：

Week 1: Unit 10 A Good Time for Luke!  
Week 2: Unit 10 We Come on Time  
Week 3: Unit 10 Who Can Help?  
Week 4: Review

#### Math Class

學生會和 Teacher Zain 一起完成 MPM 書-B5。在本書中，他們將透過數字和邏輯進行更多的工作，主要依照他們過去所做過的習題模式對其進行複習，並完成更複雜的習題模式。B5 也將加入更多匹配工作。我認為這些技能對他們的學習非常重要，對他們來說，像他們在數學課上一樣獲得這種常規的解決問題技能練習非常有幫助。以下為本月課程進度表：

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Week 3: B5: Page 15-18 Comparison of lengths  
Week 4: Review

#### Conversation Class

上個月，學生們有很多時間自己練習對話。我們在課堂討論時間中向他們提出了問題，並討論了如 "what's your favorite food?" 及 "How are you feeling today" 等。下個月，與 Teacher Zain 一起，學生們將從他們的對話書中學習一些非常有用的句子結構，比如 "Why is the boy sad" and "Because his ice-cream fell" 等 "為什麼" 這樣的問題。我認為學生們對此會有很多樂趣，並將在未來幫助他們使用語句更多元。以下為本月課程進度表：

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#### Physical Education

上個月，我們非常開心參加學校所舉辦的端午節活動。為了紀念端午節，孩子們做了很多不同的活動，比如做龍舟頭套、參加賽龍舟比賽，甚至嘗試了立雞蛋。我認為學生們特別喜歡參加比賽，他們看到一些老師參與賽龍舟的比賽也賣力地為老師加油。下個月，Teacher Zain 將與他們一起為體育課進行一些有趣的活動。我認為這對他們來說也是一個很好的機會認識他，並且在他們的比賽中度過一段愉快時間。

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#### Song and Dance

上個月，學生們學習了一些非常有趣和有用的歌曲。這個月學生們將學習 Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star, 這是一首很棒的歌曲，藉由課堂讓孩子們了解這首歌在很多英語國家非常流行。我相 Teacher Zain 也會有一些有趣的新歌想介紹給孩子們。我認為他們將能將歌舞融入到他們最喜歡的所有歌曲中。以下為本月課程進度表：

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