



## **Panda Class Newsletter August 2018**

Welcome to the K4 Panda class monthly newsletter for August.  
It's great to be back! Panda class is now in their second year at Marshall School.  
In K4 we have lots of new reading and workbooks for the students to study.  
Let's take a look at what is to come in the first month of the new semester...

### Reading

The students are very well rehearsed with reading time. They can all sit and try to follow the words and turn the pages of their reading books.

We read the reading books several times every day. I am very strict when it comes to reading time. Everyone sits down and we read together following the words with our fingers.

Often the kids will have questions about the story and about words they don't understand. I positively encourage questions about the reading material and make sure they understand.

After reading together, individuals are chosen to read to the whole class so their pronunciation can be checked and corrected if necessary. Sometimes

during outdoor play I will give extra reading practice and attention to those who need it.

Week 1 - Time For Bed

Week 2 - What Lila Loves/ My Mom

Week 3 - Flying Butter

Week 4 - Snow Joe

Week 5 - Joshua James Likes Trucks

### Core Material

The core material books have some fun stories that use sentences that contain useful words the kids should know.

Weeks 1-4 - Unit 1 Week 1 Workshop - Sentences that contain the words 'does, not, school, what'. Short 'a' words e.g. can, sad, pan, map. A short story called 'Jack Can'.

Week 5 - Unit 1 Week 1 Anthology - A short story called 'Nat and Sam' that uses vocabulary from the Workshop reading book.

## Phonics

The phonics book has many fun activities for the students. It teaches the kids letter recognition and the different sounds they make.

Week 1 - P7-10 - Things that begin with the letters f, m, and s.

Week 2 - P11-14 - Things that begin with the letters h and b. Words that end with t and b.

Week 3 - P15-18 - Things that begin and end with the letters f, m, s, t, h, and b.

Week 4 - P19-22 - Things that begin with the letter c. Circle the letter that the word ends with.

Week 5 - P23-26 - Things that start with the letter w. Circle the letter that the word ends with.

## MPM Math (Multiple Practice Module)

MPM math is great fun for the new students. It teaches the kids the basics of mathematics in fun and interesting ways. Their new MPM boxes are full of stuff to help them learn.

Week 1 - Book 1 P1-5 - Shape matching, color matching, basic function matching exercises, straight line drawing exercises.

Week 2 - P6-10 - Shape matching, color matching, basic function corresponding exercises.

Week 3 - P11-14 - Shape correspondence mazes and practice drawing straight lines.

Week 4 - P15-18 - Recognizing and practice writing numbers 1-6.

Week 4 - Book 2 - P1-5 - Shape matching and color matching. Basic concept of sets, counting amounts in sets, circle drawing exercises.

## Conversation

This is a chance for the students to practice speaking. It teaches them to ask and answer questions using full sentences to show off their speaking abilities.

Week 1 - Unit 31 - verbs eat, drink, walk run, come, and go.

Week 2 - Unit 32 - How to use 'have and 'has' e.g. 'I have a crayon. May has a paintbrush.'

Weeks 3-4 - Catch up and review

## Grammar and Spelling Workbook

This is a basic grammar and spelling workbook with various exercises that start off easy then progressively get more challenging.

Week 1 - P6-7 Nouns - Circle the names of animals. Sentences that use 'It is a...' and 'It's a...'

Week 2 - P8-9 Sentences that use 'It's a...' and 'It isn't a...'

Week 3 - P10-11 Vowels - Using 'an' and 'a'.

Week 4 - P12-13 Answering questions with 'Yes, it is' and 'No, it isn't'.

Week 5 - P14-15 Question: What is it? Answer: It's a/It's an...

## Song and Dance

We have song & dance classes in the mornings to create a group bond & promote confidence.

Song & dance is also a great way to wake the kids up in the mornings and get them ready & energized for the days lessons.

Weeks 1-3 - Say Hello

Weeks 4-5 - Down by The River

## Thematic Activities

Thematic studies are a series of lessons that focus on a country or festival.

Thematic studies lessons are once week and last for one month on the same subject.

The kids get to learn about other cultures, countries and events from all over the world.

Week 1 – All about me

Week 2 – All about me

Week 3 - Space

Week 4 - Space

Week 5 - Space

### Library

Once a week the class will visit the library to read a storybook. This is a popular lesson with the kids because they love to listen to the teacher read them a good story.

The class will sit and listen to the teacher, enjoying looking at the pictures in the book as the story is read to them.

They also have the opportunity to borrow a book for the week to take home and read by themselves or with mummy & daddy.

That concludes the Panda class monthly newsletter for August.

As always, please feel free to leave me any of your comments or concerns in the weekly English communication books.

Teacher Rich.



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您好，這是我們中班八月的班級信，真高興又看到大家齊聚一堂，這是孩子們在學校的第二年。在中班我們有比較多的作業和閱讀需要完成。

下面讓我們看看新學期第一個月的課程有什麼：

### Reading

孩子們在閱讀時間表現的很好，他們可以都坐下來並且用手比著字閱讀，也可以自己翻頁。

一天之內我們會唸好幾次閱讀書，在閱讀時間我會比較嚴格要求孩子，我會要求孩子用手比著字唸書。

通常孩子們會對故事內容感興趣或是想要知道單字是什麼意思，我也鼓勵孩子在課堂上盡量發問，並且確保他們可以了解。

大家一起唸完後，我會要求孩子個別唸給我聽，這樣我也可以聽到孩子的發音，也可以糾正孩子不對的發音，有些時候在戶外遊戲時間我也會要求需要協助的孩子來和我一起唸，幫助他們多加複習。

第一週- Time For Bed

第二週 - What Lila Loves/ My Mom

第三週 - Flying Butter

第四週 - Snow Joe

第五週 - Joshua James Likes Trucks

#### Core Material

在這一堂課會有許多有趣的故事包含日常會使用到的句型讓孩子練習。

第一~四週：單元一包含有 does, not, school, what'. Short 單字的句子，"a"的單字：can, sad, pan, map. 有關 A 的短文：'Jack Can'.

第五週：單元一文選集，短文：'Nat and Sam'，有運用到課本內的單字。

#### Phonics

發音課有很多好玩的遊戲，它也教導孩子不同的發音組成方式。

第一週 P7-10 - f, m, 和 s 開頭的物品單字

第二週. P11-14 - h 和 b 開頭的單字，t 和 b 結尾的單字

第三週. P15-18 - f, m, s, t, h, b 開頭和結尾的單字

第四週. P19-22 -找到 c 開頭和結尾的單字

第五週 P23-26 -找到 w 開頭和結尾的單字

#### MPM Math (Multiple Practice Module)

MPM 對孩子來說是非常有趣的，利用有趣的方式教導孩子學習基本的數學概念，孩子仍然會有一盒 MPM 的寶盒，裡面有許多輔助學習的工具

第一週 Book 1 P1-5 -型狀顏色配對，基礎配對概念，練習畫直線

第二週 P6-10 -型狀顏色配對，基礎配對概念

第三週 P11-14 -型狀對應，走迷宮，練習畫直線

第四週 P15-18 -認識和書寫數字 1~6

第五週 Book 2 - P1-5 -型狀顏色配對，基礎配對概念，練習數數，練習畫圈和著色

#### Conversation

這堂課提供孩子練習說話的時間，孩子也可以發問和回答問題，我也會要求他在們以完整句型來回答。

第一週 單元 31：動詞 eat, drink, walk run, come, go.

第二週 單元 32：如何使用 have 和 has，例如：'I have a crayon. May has a paintbrush.'

第三~四週：複習週

#### Grammar and spelling Workbook

這是基本的文法和拼寫練習，一開始會比較容易但是越來越有挑戰性。

第一週 P6-7-名詞：找到正確的動物名，使用'It is a...'和'It's a...'的句子

第二週 P8-9-使用'It's a...' 以及 'It isn't a...'的句子

第三週 P10-11-母音，使用 an 和 a

第四週 P12-13-回答，問句的回答：'Yes, it is' 以及'No, it isn't'.

第五週 P14-15 問句: What is it? 回答: It's a/It's an...

### Song and Dance

這堂課是在早上第一堂，可以藉由律動來增進孩子的自信心，也能夠為一整天的課程展開美好的開始

第一~三週 Say Hello

第四~五週 Down By The River

### Thematic Activities

這堂課會介紹各國的風俗文化，一整個月我們會有相同的主題，孩子能夠學習到不同的國家文化

第一週：All about me

第二週：All about me

第三週：Space

第四週：Space

第五週：Space

### Library

每一週孩子能夠到圖書館借書一次，孩子們會很期待能夠聽老師說故事，可以和孩子們坐下來一起看書裡的圖片以及唸故事書給他們聽，孩子也可以借書回家和爸爸媽媽一起閱讀。

以上就是八月的課程進度。

另外也請您若是有任何問題皆不要客氣的在連絡本上向我提出來，我期待下次和您的聯繫。

Teacher Rich.