



Deer Class Newsletter October 2018

Dear Parents,

This last month we had so much fun in Deer Class. The students played some fun games and learned a lot. We made a lot of progress in reading, writing and phonics. I am quite pleased with how much all the students have progressed. And I'm glad they are able to have fun and thrive at the same time. We will be especially focusing on phonics and writing this semester so I encourage all the students to practice at home as well if they have the opportunity. I have also been helping the students practice their spoken English and grammar as much as possible. So far they are all learning so fast.

This next month we will begin preparing for Drama play. This semester's Drama play will be a lot more advanced than anything the students have done before. They will have their own individual lines and the vocabulary words will be a lot more difficult as well. We will spend a lot of extra time practicing their lines and songs' lyrics as well. I will send home the drama play script as well. I hope the students can practice at home if they have the chance. As this play is a lot longer and more difficult, it is understandable that some of the students may be nervous about delivering the lines on their own. I will give them lots of encouragement and continue to try to make it fun and interesting for them.

I am also very excited about Halloween coming up in the following month. It is personally my favorite time of the year and I think all of the students really enjoy it as well, as they can have the opportunity to dress up, do lots of fun arts and crafts, and of course take part in the trick or treating activities. I will also decorate the classroom to match the festive themes for next month. I think the students will have so much fun, and will learn so many new things about different cultures and holidays.

Reading Class

Last month the students learned a lot of interesting things in their reading books last month. I have been paying special attention to make sure each of the students are familiar with reading books to help them in preparation for the future reading contest. I am glad that most of the students in Deer class seem to really enjoy reading. We go for library time each week and the students can choose anything they want from the library shelves. I think that having an interest in reading and curiosity is vital to a child's education and future. Next month we will learn so many new books together as a class. Listed below is the curriculum schedule for this month of classes.

Week 1: My Costume

Week 2: Review

Week 3: The Dog Show

Week 4: Rain! Rain!

Week 5: Is it a Baby Animal?

Phonics Class

This next month the students will be learning some new concepts they haven't seen before in phonics, such as double consonants (ss, ff, ll) and certain pairs (ch, sh, th). Learning new rules like this will help the students to greatly increase their reading skills and vocabulary. I will also continue to use phonics class as an opportunity for them to work on their handwriting and sight reading. Listed below is the curriculum schedule for this month of classes.

Week 1: Pages 43-47: Review high-frequency words

Week 2: Pages 48-56: Short vowel a

Week 3: Pages 57-60: Short vowel a

Week 4: Pages 63-67: Short vowel a in sentences

Week 5: Pages 70-73: Short vowel

Core Material

Last month the students made a lot of progress with their Core Material classes. They were able to read the stories on their own and create new sentences with the vocabulary words they learned. Next month they will have some important new sentence structures to learn. There are also a lot of useful new vocabulary words such as "down, out, up, very". I will teach them these words and then let them practice in it sentences and on the board. Listed below is the curriculum schedule for this month of classes.

Week 1: Workshop: Unit 1, Week 2: Where I live

Week 2: Review

Week 3: Workshop: Unit 1, Week 2: Phonics: Short i

Week 4: Workshop: Unit 1, Week 2: Six Kids

Week 5: Workshop: Unit 1, Week 2: I Live Here

Math Class

This last month the students worked a lot with numbers and counting. They needed to trace and write different numbers, as well as play counting games. They also learned a lot of new vocabulary words and concept, such as circle the tallest and the shortest, etc. Next month the students will learn a lot as well. I hope they can continue to excel at this pace. Listed below is the curriculum schedule for this month of classes.

Week 1: C3: Page 6-10: Counting objects

Week 2: Review

Week 3: C3: Page 11-14: Learning the basic concept of separation and combination of shapes

Week 4: C3: Page 15-18 Learning the spatial concept

Week 5: Drama Practice

Grammar and Spelling

This semester's grammar and spelling book is very useful in teaching spelling and grammar rules. Next month they will focus on so much. Plurals, such as 2 pencils, 3 erasers, etc. As well as contractions like "they're" and "it's". Contractions are a very difficult concept to understand at such a young age, but it is something they will see quite often so I'm glad they can learn it right away. They will also continue practicing the difference between "an" and "a" and how to use it. I'm sure they will learn a lot this month. Listed below is the curriculum schedule for this month of classes.

Week 1: Pages 24-25: They aren't... Are they pencils?

Week 2: Review

Week 3: Pages 26-27: What are they? They're...

Week 4: Pages 28-29: Review

Week 5: Pages 30-31: Colors and party thing

Physical Education

Last month we played some really fun games that cultivated coordination and teamwork. We played one game where the students had to make a bridge to walk across with some giant plastic blocks but as they were doing it, they had to pass blocks from one person in the back to the person in the front so they could keep building the bridge ahead of them as they walked. This month I'm sure will play many new games as well. Listed below is the curriculum schedule for this month of classes.

Week 1: Musical-Chairs

Week 2: Ball Hunt

Week 3: Building Bridges

Week 4: Car Races

Week 5: Hop-scotch

Song and Dance

This month we have so many new songs to learn. The students will mostly be learning songs to prepare for the drama play so we will be focusing on the dance moves and song lyrics. Luckily, many of the songs for our drama play are songs the students are already familiar with or greatly enjoy so I think it will be a really great time for everyone. Some songs we will learn for our drama play include "You've got a friend in me" and "we've got the whole world in our hands". Listed below is the curriculum schedule for this month of classes.

Week 1: Hokey Pokey

Week 2: Itsy Bitsy Spider

Week 3: Itsy Bitsy Spider

Week 4: My Umbrella

Week 5: My Umbrella



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親愛的家長：

上個月，我們在 Deer class 中獲得許多學習樂趣，孩子們玩了一些有趣的遊戲並從中吸收到非常多元的課程。我們在閱讀、寫作和拼音方面有很大進展，對於所有學生的進步也感到非常滿意，我很高興他們能夠在這段時間獲得樂趣並茁壯成長。這學期我們將特別關注語音學和手寫練習，因此我鼓勵孩子們每天在家可以花 10~20 分鐘的時間練習，有機會的話，我也會持續幫助學生練習英語口語和語法。到目前為止，他們都學習得很順暢。

下個月我們將開始準備戲劇表演，這個學期的戲劇比以往的表演挑戰度更大。他們將擁有個人台詞，而詞彙量也會變得更加困難。我們將花費大量的時間來練習他們的台詞和歌曲歌詞。之後，我也會發下戲劇劇本，我希望孩子們有機會在家練習。由於這個戲劇表演更長更困難，一些學生可能會對於自己要念出一段台詞感到緊張，這是可以理解的。我會給予他們很多鼓勵，並繼續努力讓他們的演練變得有趣又豐富。

接下來的一個月萬聖節即將到來，我也十分期待與興奮。這是我一年中最喜歡的時間，我也相信所有的學生會非常喜歡萬聖節，因為他們有機會打扮，做很多有關萬聖節的藝術創作和手工藝品，當然也會參加萬聖節遊行。我也會裝飾教室以配合下個月的節日主題。我認為學生們將會有很多樂趣，並會學到很多關於不同文化和新事物。

Reading Class

上個月，學生們在上個月的閱讀書中學到了很多有趣的東西，我一直特別留意確保每個學生都熟悉閱讀書籍，幫助他們為將來的閱讀比賽做準備。我很高興 Deer class 的大多數學生都非常喜歡閱讀，我們每週都去圖書館，學生可以從圖書館的書架上選擇他們想要的書籍並借閱回家。我認為閱讀和好奇心的培養對孩子的教育和未來至關重要，下個月，我們也將繼續學習閱讀新書。以下為本月課程進度表：

Week 1: My Costume

Week 2: Review

Week 3: The Dog Show

Week 4: Rain! Rain!

Week 5: Is it a Baby Animal?

Phonics Class

下個月，孩子們將學習一些他們以前從未在語音學中看到的新概念，例如雙輔音（ss，ff，ll）和某些配對音（ch，sh，th）。加入這樣的新語音有助於孩子們大大提升他們的閱讀技巧和詞彙量。我也會利用語音課程加強孩子們的單字發音及拼音練習。以下為本月課程進度表：

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Core Material

上個月，學生們的核心課程有很大的進步。他們能夠試著自己閱讀故事，並用他們學到的詞彙創造新的句子。下個月，他們將有一些重要的新句型結構來學習，還有許多有用的新詞彙單詞，例如“down，out，up，very”。我會教他們使用這些單字並讓他們在對話中和在手寫方面做練習。以下為本月課程進度表：

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Week 2: Review

Week 3: Workshop: Unit 1, Week 2: Phonics: Short i

Week 4: Workshop: Unit 1, Week 2: Six Kids

Week 5: Workshop: Unit 1, Week 2: I Live Here

Math Class

上個月，學生們在數字和計數方面做了很多練習。他們需要追蹤和習寫不同的數字，以及玩計數遊戲。他們還學到了很多新的詞彙和概念，比如圈出最高和最短的等等。下個月學生們也會學到很多東西，我希望他們能繼續以這種模式來幫助他們學習。以下為本月課程進度表：

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Week 3: C3: Page 11-14: Learning the spatial concept

Week 4: C3: Page 15-18: Learning the spatial concept

Week 5: Drama Practice

Grammar and Spelling

本學期的語法和拼寫書在教授拼寫和語法規則方面非常有用。下個月他們會加入多種形式，如 2 pencils, 3 erasers，還有像是“they’re” and “it’s”。在這樣一個年紀，英文簡寫是一個非常難以理解的概念，但這是他們經常會看到的東西，所以我很高興他們能夠馬上學會它。他們還將繼續練習“an”和“a”之間的區別以及使用的時機，我相信他們本月會學到很多東西。以下為本月課程進度表：

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Physical Education

上個月我們玩了一些非常有趣的遊戲，培養了協調和團隊合作。我們玩了一個遊戲，學生們需要用一些巨大的積木堆成一座橋來走路，當他們這樣做的時候，他們必須將一個個積木從後面傳遞給前面的人，這樣他們就可以繼續建造陸地幫助他們走到終點。這個月我也會加入很多新遊戲。以下本月為課程進度表：

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Week 4: Car Races

Week 5: Hop-scotch

Song and Dance

這個月我們有許多新歌要學習，學生們將主要學習有關表演的歌曲，為戲劇演出做準備，所以我們會專心練習於舞蹈動作和歌詞。幸運的是，我們戲劇中的許多歌曲都是學生們已經熟悉或非常喜歡的歌曲，所以我認為這對每個人來說都是一個非常美好的時光。我們將為戲劇表演學習的一些歌曲，包括：

“You’ve got a friend in me” 及 “we’ve got the whole world in our hands”.以下為本月課程進度表：

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