



Unicorn Class Newsletter April 2019

I'm glad all the kids of Unicorn class had lots of fun on our trip to the Taipei Zoo last week and that everyone had a safe and educational time while we looked at animals from around the world!

Also in April we will begin casting kids for their parts in the end of year play. I will be trying to keep it a secret for the special night but I think the kids of Unicorn class will let you know what the play is about as I give them their parts and tell them the story for our last performance as a class.

Song and dance

or April the song that we will listen to during song and dance will be Forever Young. I think this song is very popular with the graduating classes and we may hear this song at our graduation at the end of this school year

Week 1: Forever Young

Week 2: Forever Young

Week 3: Forever Young

Week 4: Forever Young

Core Materials and Phonics class

In core materials we will be reading a short story about the Gingerbread man once we finish our story about kittens and mittens in our Literature Anthology books.

Writing

At the beginning of April we will be creating our own wanted poster in our writing books and starting a unit on Treasure hunts. In our treasure hunt section we will be learning how to write directions to different objectives to learn simple pathfinding.

Spelling

In spelling class we will be continuing our work on adjectives while we describe rooms in our spelling book, and color the pictures based on the descriptions.

Reading

The first week of April will be a review week because of tomb sweeping weekend. The second week of April we will read the classic story of the tortoise and the hare before we will read "Are We There Yet?" the week after. The last week of April we will read the story of Martina the Cockroach.

Week 1: Review

Week 2: The tortoise and the Hare

Week 3: Are We There Yet?

Week 4: Martina the Cockroach

Math

We will be finished our second math book in the F series and starting our third book during the second week of April. I will also spend one or two classes this month just playing clock games and getting the kids familiar with the clocks in their math books.

Week 1: Coordinates by building addresses

Week 2: Learning about cycles using colors, shapes and directions

Week 3 & 4: Counting by numbers and counting in sets

Thematic Studies

The Theme for April will be Easter. I'm sure we will have some great Interactive activities planned that will allow the kids to have some fun and enjoy Easter.

Physical Education

The kids are having a lot of fun in P.E. class. We always start off with a fun run around the playground before our game/activity.

Outdoor Play

All the kids are having lots of fun playing outside in our supervised playground with monkey, lion, and dinosaur classes.

I'm looking forward to starting our practice for the end of class performance for our play in July. I hope everyone enjoys the long weekend at the beginning of April due to children's day and tomb sweeping weekend and I encourage the parents of Unicorn class to get out of the city for a little bit and enjoy the wonderful countryside in his beautiful country called Taiwan.

Teacher Mat



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三月底的戶外教學~~台北動物園之旅，真是一個寓教於樂的活動也是我們在瑪歌爾最後一次的戶外教學算是畢業之旅吧！過程中孩子表現獨力、勇敢的一面，也因為我們的事先準備孩子們是期待看到自己的動物，只可惜時間的限制無法如預期的找到所有的動物讓孩子有點小失望了。

另外四月份開始要籌劃我們最後一場畢業演出，並協助孩子們選定每個人的角色，我將試著將演出的內容保密到當天的典禮晚上，不過我相信孩子們一定無法守住秘密，更可能興奮的分享故事的內容和所有一切有關於這次表演的細節...

歌謠律動方面

四月份安排了一首在畢業時節很常聽到的歌曲 Forever Young，也許在我們的畢業典上也可以聽到這首歌曲。我很期待孩子們和我一起學習，也相信他們會喜歡。教唱的過程中我們會加上一些動作，讓孩子們覺得更有趣。

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Week 4: Forever Young

主教材方面

我們將閱讀一個短篇故事有關於薑餅人，同時我們也完成了，「小貓和手套」的文學選輯。

Writing 練習本

在四月份的寫字本練習中，我們開始創作自己想要的海報，之後在進入下個單元 Treasure hunt，在此單元從圖片中學習一些地方的名稱，在練習如何結合地點寫 THERE IS 和 THERE ARE 的句子。另外我們也會學習利用描述方向來找尋設定的目標。

Spelling 練習本

在拼寫課，我們將繼續練習形容詞的用法，並運用不同的形容詞來而描述房間在我們的練習本，並根據描述的圖片著色。

閱讀方面

由於連續假日，4 月的第一周將是複習周。4 月的第二周，我們將閱讀和野兔的經典故事，然後再閱讀『我們還在嗎？』一書，4 月的最後一周，我們將閱讀蟑螂瑪蒂娜的故事。

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MPM 數學方面

我們將完成 F 系列的第二本數學書，並在 4 月的第二周開始我們的第三本書。這個月我還會花一兩節課玩鐘錶遊戲，讓孩子們熟悉數學書中的時鐘。

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主題活動方面

每個月都會指定一位外國老師計畫安排一個主題活動。主題形式不限，將可以學習到。我相信孩子們都會喜歡。4 月份的主題是復活節。

體能課方面

孩子們對於體能課一直都相當感興趣，我們仍維持在進行所有活動或遊戲前，先暖身並跑場。

戶外活動方面

我們每天都有戶外活動時間，將會和獅子班、猴子班和恐龍班一起進行，除了可以讓孩子們盡情的奔跑外，還可以認識不同班級的朋友喔！孩子們在戶外玩得很開心，而且他們總是很留意班上的孩子們是否有任何麻煩或受傷，這是我樂見的。

我期待練習我們 7 月份的戲劇內容。也希望大家喜歡 4 月初的連續假日，因為兒童節和掃墓的週末，我鼓勵獨角獸班的家長們帶著孩子們遠離城市，享受臺灣的美妙鄉村。

Teacher Matt