



Deer Class Newsletter August 2019

Dear Parents,

My name is Shawn Murray. I am from America and I have been living in Taiwan for over ten years. I enjoy teaching, guiding, motivating, and praising young learners. It is through my experience that students really progress academically through 'direct' or 'hands-on' learning by: encouraging students to make sentences when speaking, using the 'target' language within class among their peers, remaining curious by asking questions, and talking out or solving any troubles among students that may arise during the year. I would be happy to answer or meet with any parent should there be any concerns.

So, I want to sincerely thank all of the parents for this opportunity to be a part of the continued academic growth and social dynamics of Deer class.

Reading Class

The students are great readers. I have full confidence that they will continue to do well with their reading ability for the duration of the next two semesters. I look forward to teaching and assisting the Deer Class in regards to their overall reading effort. The main purpose will be to read for understanding and then analyze the meaning of each given story. It will be a fun and exciting experience to accompany the students in their reading development. The students will cover the following in reading class for the month of August.

Week 1: Rude Ralph

Week 2: Rude Ralph

Week 3: Addition Annie

Week 4: Feeding the Gulls

Week 5: A Circle in the Sky

Phonics Class

Phonics class will start out by reviewing consonants: initial, final, medial. The unit one phonics theme will be about, 'Friendships around the World.' I anticipate that Deer students will enjoy this

chapter very much. The following is the curriculum with page numbers for phonics class level B for the month of August.

Week 1: p. 7-10 Connecting sound to symbol

Week 2: p. 7-10 Connecting sound to symbol

Week 3: p. 12, 17-19 Short a word families

Week 4: p. 20-23 Short vowels a and i in sentences

Week 5: p. 24-27 Short o word families

Core Material

The Workshop section will cover the story called, "Thump, Thump Helps Out." It is a story about a bunny rabbit that has a special gift whereby he is able to use and help others in the community. I believe the students will enjoy the story and be able to discuss it at length. The following information is regarding the core material for the month of August including (workshop and anthology).

Week 1: Unit 2 Week 4 Workshop Let's Help

Week 2: Unit 2 Week 4 Workshop Let's Help

Week 3: Unit 2 Week 4 Workshop Thump Thump Helps out

Week 4: Unit 2 Week 4 Workshop Thump Thump Helps out

Week 5: Unit 2 Week 4 Workshop Thump Thump Helps out

Math Class

The math class will be a continuation of the MPM series. The students will each get a specialized MPM math kit with many small pieces and cutouts to aid in their mathematical journey. An MPM workbook will be an exercise book to put on paper what they completed with the 'hands-on' models provided. Listed below is the curriculum about MPM math for the month of August.

Week 1: (A Trip of Discovery) p. 1-2 / (Workbook) E1: p. 1-5

Week 2: p.1-2 / E1: p. 1-5 Reciting numbers

Week 3: p. 1-2 / E1: p.6-10 Counting exercises

Week 4: p. 3-4 / E1: p. 11-14 Writing practice

Week 5: p. 3-4 / E1: p. 15-18 More than/ less than

Grammar and Spelling (Jump)

The list of activities to do for August will consist of the following: verb to be, there is...There are, verb to have, nouns, verbs, adjectives, and a full review of the alphabet. I sincerely believe that the students of Deer Class will have a firm grasp on these critical grammar concepts by the end of the given month. Listed below is the schedule for the month of classes for August in grammar and spelling.

Week 1: p.6-7 There is... There are

Week 2: p.6-7 There is... There are

Week 3: p.8-9 Possessive adjectives

Week 4: p. 10-11 Nouns, verbs, and adjectives

Week 5: p.12-13 The alphabet

Writing:

The theme for the month of August is on doing exercises and easy writing about, 'My Family and Friends.' The lessons will include related vocabulary, capitalization, unscrambling the sentences, punctuation, completing questions with starting question words, making sentences, and then putting sentences into a minor letter format. Listed below contains the material schedule in our writing class for August.

Week 1: p. 6-7 My family and friends

Week 2: p. 6-7 My family and friends

Week 3: p. 8-9 My family and friends

Week 4: p. 10-11 My family and friends

Week 5: p. 12-13 My family and friends

Song and Dance

Song and Dance class will be a fun time. It will be a time to come together and do some pre-warmup stretches and then jump into the slated dance / song activity. These songs coupled with given dancing will be sure to inspire and challenge all classes that come to participate. Listed below is the standard schedule for the songs and dances that Deer class will become familiar with and be able to perform for the month of August.

Week 1: I Have a Car

Week 2: I Have a Car

Week 3: The Ants Go Marching

Week 4: The Ants Go Marching



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親愛的家長您好:

我叫 Shawn Murray，來自美國，我在台灣生活了十多年。我喜歡教學指導、激勵和讚美年輕學習者。根據我的經驗，學生透過“直接學習”或“親身實踐”能夠確實在學業上取得進步。我會盡量鼓勵孩子們在講話時使用句子，以及在課堂中與同學多多使用的“目標”語言，透過提問來保持好奇心，在這一年的當中我也會協助孩子們處理可能出現的問題並解決學生的任何麻煩。如果有任何疑慮，我很樂意回答或與任何家長面談。

因此，我真誠地感謝所有家長，讓我能夠與 Deer Class 中的每一位小朋友持續成長和成為社會動力的一部分。

Reading Class

“學生是偉大的讀者”，我完全相信他們在接下來的兩個學期內依然可以很好地掌握他們的閱讀能力，我期待我能在整體閱讀方面教授和協助小鹿斑。主要目的是閱讀理解，然後分析每個故事的含義與孩子們一同討論。在學生的閱讀發展中陪伴學生將是一個有趣且令人興奮的經歷。以下為本月課程進度表：

Week 1: Rude Ralph

Week 2: Rude Ralph

Week 3: Addition Annie

Week 4: Feeding the Gulls

Week 5: A Circle in the Sky

Phonics Class

Phonics 課程將首先回顧輔音，其中包括：initial, final, medial。單元一的拼音主題將是“世界各地的友誼”。我相信小鹿班的孩子們將非常喜歡這一個篇章。以下為本月課程進度表：

Week 1: p. 7-10 Connecting sound to symbol

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Week 4: p. 20-23 Short vowels a and I in sentences

Week 5: p. 24-27 Short o word families

Core Material

研討會部分將介紹一個名為“Thump, Thump Help Out”的故事。這是一個關於 Bunny Rabbit 兔子的故事，牠有一種特殊的禮物，可以用來幫助社區中的其他人。我相信學生們會喜歡這個故事，並能夠詳細討論。以下為本月課程進度表：

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Week 4: Unit 2 Week 4 Workshop Thump Thump Helps out

Week 5: Unit 2 Week 4 Workshop Thump Thump Helps out

Math Class

數學課將是 MPM 系列的延續，學生會獲得一個專門的 MPM 數學工具箱，其中包含許多零件和教具以幫助他們完成數學課程。MPM 工作簿將是一本練習冊，孩子們在每一次的課程中都會搭配 MPM BOX 來完成練習簿的內容。以下為本月課程進度表：

Week 1: (A Trip of Discovery) p. 1-2 / **(Workbook)** E1: p. 1-5 Reciting numbers

Week 2: p.1-2 / E1: p. 1-5 Reciting numbers

Week 3: p. 1-2 / E1: p.6-10 Counting exercises

Week 4: p. 3-4 / E1: p. 11-14 Writing practice

Week 5: p. 3-4 / E1: p. 15-18 More than/ less than

Grammar and Spelling (Jump)

文法課中要為八月做的教學目標包括以下內容：verb to be, there is...There are, verb to have, nouns, verbs, adjectives,以及字母表的完整複習。我真誠地相信 Deer Class 的學生可以在 8 月份結束時牢牢掌握這些重要的語法概念。以下為本月課程進度表：

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Week 2: p.6-7 There is ... There are

Week 3: p.8-9 Possessive adjectives

Week 4: p. 10-11 Nouns, verbs, and adjectives

Week 5: p.12-13 The alphabet

Writing:

8 月份的主題是做練習和輕鬆寫作“My Family and Friends.”。課程將包括相關的詞彙、大小寫的運用、解讀句子、標點符號、完成問題以及開始提問詞，最後製作句子，然後將句子放入小寫字母格式。以下為本月課程進度表：

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Week 2: p. 6-7 My family and friends

Week 3: p. 8-9 My family and friends

Week 4: p. 10-11 My family and friends

Week 5: p. 12-13 My family and friends

Song and Dance

歌舞課將是一個有趣的時間，在這堂課中我會帶領孩子們做一些熱身活動，然後搭配舞蹈/歌曲讓孩子們一同加入。我相信這些歌曲加上特定的舞蹈一定會激勵和挑戰所有的孩子們參加這項課程。以下為本月進度表：

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Week 2: I Have a Car

Week 3: The Ants Go Marching

Week 4: The Ants Go Marching