

# Panda Class Newsletter March 2020

Welcome to the K5 Panda Class monthly newsletter for March.

The Coronavirus has had a big impact on school activities. Both the school field trip and the sports day were cancelled as a precaution. All of the students were asked to wear masks and wash their hands regularly to prevent anyone from getting sick.

Hopefully the virus will be under control soon and we can all get back to normal.

Let's take a look at what's to come in March...

## Reading

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 - "An Unusual Show"

Week 2 - "The Mural"

Week 3 - "Who is Getting Married"

Week 4 - "Food Court"

Week 5 - Review

Core Material

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

Weeks 1-2 - "The Big Yuka Plant" A story about a family that work as a team to achieve a goal and how even the smallest of us can help.

Weeks 3-5 - The Nice Mitten" A story about a boy who loses a mitten that then becomes a cozy home for some animals.

#### **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 - Fill in the blank exercises using r controlled vowels e.g. circus, curve, chirp, purse, furry, hurry. Matching rhyming words.

Week 2 - Fill in the blanks exercises with high frequency words. Review.

Week 3 - Words that contain or, ir, ur, ar, and er. Exercises that use words containing ea.

Week 4 - Exercises that use words containing oo.

Week 5 - Catch up and review.

## 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 - Exercises that teach the students to use a calendar. Counting exercises 1 - 20.

Week 2 - Counting in 10's and number writing exercises.

Weeks 3-4 - Exercises that teach the students about currency amounts.

Week 5 - Catch up and review.

### 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 - Daily routines and times.

Week 2 - Questions about times.

Week 3 - Questions with "do" and "What time".

Week 4 - Spelling and grammar review.

## Writing

The writing workbook helps the students to practice their writing and how to write full sentences with correct punctuation.

Week 1 - Describing peoples appearance and posing adjectives e.g. young/old.

Week 2 - Unscrambling sentences and putting the words in the correct order.

Week 3 - Describing people and making a wanted poster.

Week 4 - Review and final copy of the wanted poster.

Week 5 - Catch up and review.

### 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 1-4 - "Somewhere Out Ther"

Week 5 - "Forever Young"

**Thematic Activities** 

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

Thematic studies lessons are once per 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.

## Library

Once a week the class will visit the library to read a storybook. This 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 March.

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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歡迎您來到三月份的班級信。

冠狀病毒對學校活動產生了重大影響,為了防疫我們取消了戶外教學以及運動會,全部的學生都被要求要戴著口罩並且勤洗手避免生病。

希望疫情可以趕快受到控制,我們都可以回歸到正常生活。

讓我們來看看在三月我們將會迎接哪些課程。

#### 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。 一天之内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内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:"An Unusual Show"

第二週:"The Mural"

第三週:"Who is Getting Married"

第四週:"Food Court"

第五週:複習

## 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 1~2 週:"The Big Yuka Plant"描述一個家族一起團隊合作達到目標,家族成員即使很微小也是可以盡一己之力幫忙的。

第 3~5 週:The Nice Mitten"是有關一個小男孩遺失了手套,他的手套變成了小動物舒適的家。

#### **Phonics**

發音課有很多好玩的遊戲,這堂課也教導孩子不同的發音組成方式

第一週:利用 r 的發音進行填空練習 第二週:利用常見字進行填空練習

第三週:利用 or, ir, ur, ar, 以及 er 來進行活動

第四週:包含 oo 的發音的活動練習

第五週:進度完成/複習

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:認識日曆,數數 1~20

第二週:十個一數,以及練習寫數字 第三~四週:教導孩子認識貨幣金額

第五週: 進度完成/複習

#### 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,我也會要求他們以完整句型來回答

第一週:日常生活分享和時間 第二週:日常生活分享和時間

第三调:"do"和"What time"的問題練習

第四週:拼音和文法複習

### Writing

寫作練習可以幫助學生練習寫作,以及如何用正確的標點來寫出完整的句子。

第一週:描述人們的外表並構成形容詞,例如:young/old

第二週:句子重整

第三週:描述人的外型並製作通緝令。 第四週:複習並且完成上周的海報

第五週:進度完成/複習

## 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。

第一~四週:"Somewhere Out Ther"

第五週:"Forever Young"

#### 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。

## 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。

以上就是三月的課程進度。

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。

Teacher Rich.