

## **Hippo Class Newsletter January 2021**

Dear parents,

Happy New Year! Hippo class has grown so much in 2020, I'm really excited to see where 2021 takes them. I'm excited with the progress that they've made and I know we will finish our first term strong. I'm also really excited for their first foray into a reading contest! I know they will all be richer for the experience. Thank you again for all that you do.

Best wishes,

Carlin

### Reading

Reading class is something we take a lot of pride in here at Marshall and we always aim for our students to improve every year in their reading ability. This class is also great for building up their vocabulary which in turn benefits their conversation skills. I find this class feeds the student's imagination, inspires children to read stories in their own time and by this year they will be able to write their own stories! As reading is a personal favourite past time for me, I take a lot of care bringing out the best possible results for the children in this subject and I hope you will all see a steady improvement in your child's ability.

1/4-1/8: The Haircut

1/11-1/15: Prepare for Reading Contest

1/18-1/22: Prepare for Reading Contest

1/25-1/29: Boots

### Core Material

We are building new sentence patterns and foundations using the "Smart Start" books. There are the sentence foundations we will be working on this month.

1/4-1/8: Keywords: and, go

1/11-1/15: on, not

1/18-1/22: tall, long, big

1/25-1/29: you, can

### Phonics

In our phonics class we are using the Sadlier Phonics Level K book which is a great colourful book with an easy layout for the children to learn their alphabet sounds.. This class will give everyone a chance to learn the phonetic sounds at the same pace and to practice tracing letters.

1/4-1/8: p. 64-66 "L"

1/11-1/15: p. 67-70 "D"

1/18-1/22: p. 71-74 "K"

1/25-1/29: p. 76-80 "N"

### Conversation Class

In this class we are using Oxford University Up & Away Book 1. This book will teach students the basics of conversation through colourful pictures and simple words. This book also has a friendly, colourful layout making it easy for the student's understanding.

1/4-1/8: Unit 16: It is/they are

1/11-1/15: Review

1/18-1/22: Prepare for Story Contest

1/25-1/29: You are/we are

### Math

We are using the MPM books and boxes for our maths class. They really have a unique and interesting way of delivering common mathematical concepts to the children often by using animals, colours and objects that children associate with fun and games! This math class is very interactive and hands on.

12/30-1/3- A5 p 6-10 (Paths)

1/6-1/10 -A5 p 11-14 (Reciting Numbers)

1/13-1/17- A5 p 15-18 (Spatial Descriptions)

1/20-1/23 -Catch up and Review

1/30-1/31 -Catch up and Review

### Physical Education

P.E. Class is a great chance for the children to let off steam and get the blood flowing. It is very important for children to exercise for their physical and mental health but while we take this seriously we also have a lot of fun. Games range from racing; either by running, using the tricycles or cars, to chasing Frisbees, balloons, and racing.

1/4-1/8: What time is it Mr. Wolf?

1/11-1/15: Relay Race

1/18-1/22: Frog jump

1/25-1/29: Yoga stretching

### Song and Dance

As many of you know, "song and dance" is most of the kids' favorite activity at school. These are the songs we hope to cover this month.

1/4-1/8: High Five

1/11-1/15: High Five

1/18-1/22: Listen and move

1/25-1/29: Listen and move

### Gross/Fine Motor Skills

In our gross/fine motor skills class students will learn to be hands on in the classroom. In this class we will be focused on shapes, colors, tracing. We will also be training our small and large muscles by a variety of class activities incorporating games and songs.

12/30-1/3 – Letters M and N (plus review)

1/6-1/10 – Letters O and P

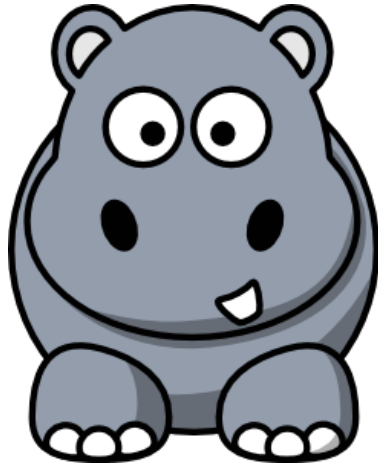
1/13-1/17- Letters Q,R,S

1/20-1/23 Letters T, U,V

1/30-1/31 Letters W, X, Y, Z

### Library/Story Time

Each week the children and myself visit the library for story time and to exchange books. It's lovely to see all of them listening to the stories and taking an interest! They really get involved with the stories and I believe it's good for their listening, comprehension and their imagination!



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親愛的家長：

新年快樂，河馬班在 2020 年有大幅的成長。我很期待在新的一年能看到他們繼續進步，我為他們的進步感到驕傲，且我們會扎實地完成第一學期的教程。我也非常期待他們參與第一次的閱讀比賽，孩子們一定可以在過程中學到很多經驗，也謝謝家長一路來的支持。

謹上

外文老師 Carlin

### 閱讀課程

閱讀課程是我們在瑪歇爾引以為豪的事情，我們一直致力於讓學生每年提高閱讀能力。這門課程也非常適合建立自己的詞彙量，從而有利於他們的會話技巧。我發現這個課程充滿了學生的想像力，激發孩子們在自己的時間裡閱讀故事！由於閱讀是我個人最喜歡的時間，我會非常謹慎地為孩子們帶來最好的結果，我希望你們都能看到孩子能力的穩定提升。

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### 英文核心訓練課程

本月我們會教導新的句型基礎，使用“Smart Start”書籍。以下是我們本月會進行的基礎句型教學

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### 拼音

在我們的自然發音課上，我們使用的是 Sadlier Phonics Level K 這本書，這是一本很棒的彩色書，有一

個簡單的佈局，讓孩子們學習他們的字母聲音。這個課程將讓每個人都有機會以相同的速度學習語音並練習描寫字母。

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### 會話課程

在本課程中，我們使用牛津大學 Up & Away Book 1，這本書將透過彩色圖片和簡單的單字向學生講述對話的基礎。本書還有一個友善的地方，豐富多彩的佈局，方便學生理解。

以下是本月對話基礎課程，使用“Up And Away”教材

1/4-1/8: Unit 16: It is/they are

1/11-1/15: Review

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### 體育課程

體育上課是孩子們放鬆身心，讓血液流動的絕佳機會。孩子們為了身心健康而鍛煉是非常重要的，但是當我們認真對待時，我們也會有很多樂趣。活動範圍包含跑步，使用三輪車或汽車，追逐飛盤，氣球和比賽等。

1/4-1/8: What time is it Mr. Wolf?

1/11-1/15: 接力賽

1/18-1/22: 青蛙跳

1/25-1/29: 瑜珈伸展

### 唱歌和跳舞課程

唱歌和跳舞是學生們的最愛，以下是本月會進行的歌曲練習。

1/4-1/8: High Five

1/11-1/15: High Five

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### 大肌肉/ 小肌肉技能

在我們的精細運動技能課程中，學生將學會在課堂上親自動手完成一些任務。在本課程中，我們將專注於形狀，顏色和連線。我們還將包含遊戲和歌曲的各種課堂活動來訓練我們的小型和大型肌肉。

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## 圖書館/故事時間

孩子們和我自己每週都會去圖書館看故事時間和交換書籍。很開心看到所有人都在聽故事並引起興趣！他們真的參與了這些故事，我相信這對他們的傾聽，理解和想像力都有好處！

我希望這份信能讓您深入了解我的教學風格，以及我們將在第一個月共同開展的工作，並感謝您。