

Hippo Class Newsletter

May 2021

Dear parents,

I hope everyone is safe and healthy, practicing social distancing, and staying home as much as possible. As the weather is getting warmer, please make sure students have extra shirts at school to change after outdoor play if needed. Also, keep sending masks with students. We are going to be practicing for our upcoming drama play centred around the ocean.

Thank you,

Tr. John

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.

Week 1- Old Mo

Week 2- Prepare for Drama Play

Week 3- Prepare for Drama Play

Week 4- A Tooth is Loose

Core Material

This class is an all-encompassing lesson for the children's reading, grammar and phonics skills. In these classes children are asked to recognize letters, practice phonetic sounds and beginning sight word through various stories and activities based on the stories.

Week 1- Unit 8 Week 2 My USA (Letters & Z, Words: This/What)

Week 2- Unit 8 Week 2 My USA (Letters & Z, Words: This/What)

Week 3- Prepare for Drama Play

Week 4- Unit 8 Week 3 Look To The Sky (Review Letters and Words)

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.

Week 1- Prepare for Drama Play

Week 2- Prepare for Drama Play

Week 3- Prepare for Drama Play

Week 4- B4 pg. 1-5 Functions

Conversation

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.

Week 1 Prepare for Drama Play

Week 2- Prepare for Drama Play

Week 3- Prepare for Drama Play

Week 4- Unit 28 Prepositions

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.

Week 1- Letter Q and recognition

Week 2- Letter V and recognition

Week 3- Letter Y and recognition

Week 4- Letter Z and recognition

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.

Week 1- Alphabets

Week 2- Alphabets

Week 3- Alphabets

Week 4- Alphabets

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.

Week 1 Hula Hoops

Week 2- Parachute Games

Week 3- Golf

Week 4- Running Races

Thematic Activity

Each month a different foreign teacher is assigned to plan and arrange activities of a given theme. This can be anything from small art projects, short field trips near the school or even a party in the classroom! The themes are often related to different festivals around the world so it really helps them to understand different cultures while having fun at the same time.

Week 1- International Culture

Week 2- International Culture

Week 3- International Culture

Week 4- International Culture

Song and Dance

This is a great opportunity for myself and the students to bond and enjoy some songs together. In addition to the scheduled songs I will be teaching the children further songs from the Disney catalogue, musicals or simply just any songs I find that are good for children!

Week 1- Bus

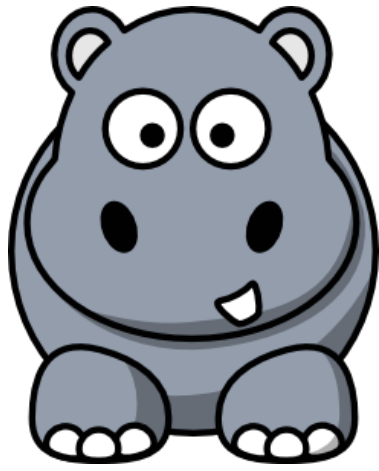
Week 2- Bus

Week 3- Rain, Rain, Go Away

Week 4- Rain, Rain Go Away

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，

應對疫情，請大家做好保持社交距離，減少外出接觸機會，祝大家都有健康安全的生活。當今天氣逐漸轉熱，如有需要請各位家長幫小朋友多準備一件衣服，已備外出活動後做更換。本月，我們為即將到來的以「海洋」為主題的戲劇表演進行練習。

謹上

外文老師 John

閱讀課程

閱讀課為瑪歇爾的重點課程，我們非常重視學生們的閱讀能力。此課程也是很好的機會來增加孩子的識字能力，藉此增進溝通技巧。我會透過這門課給學生想像力與啟發，讓孩子培養閱讀的興趣，並且在日後有能力寫下屬於自己的故事。

因閱讀也是老師我自己的各人興趣，因此我會挑選最精采的故事，希望家長們可以看見孩子的成長。

第一週- Old Mo

第二週- Prepare for Drama Play

第三週- Prepare for Drama Play

第四週- A Tooth is Loose

英文核心訓練課程

該課程是一門涵蓋兒童全部閱讀，語法和拼音技能的課程。在這些課程中，訓練兒童通過各種故事以及活動，練習語音發音和開始辨識單詞。

第一週- 第八單元 "My USA" (字母 & Z, 單字: This/What)

第二週- 第八單元 "My USA" (字母 & Z, 單字: This/What)

第三週- 戲劇表演練習

第四週- 第八單元” Week 3 Look To The Sky” (子母與單字複習)

數學課程

我們使用 MPM 書籍教導這門課，這本書用很有趣的方式來表達數學的基本觀念。透過小動物、顏色與一些實用的物品，向兒童傳達常見的數學概念，且在互動與有趣的遊戲中學習。

第一週- 戲劇表演練習

第二週- 戲劇表演練習

第三週- 戲劇表演練習

第四週- B4 pg. 1-5 Function

會話課程

在本課程中，我們使用牛津大學“Up and Away in English”這本教課書，此書會經由圖畫與簡單的文字來教導孩子們基礎的對話技巧，本書的排版也非常精采與豐富，非常適合學生們理解。

第一週- 戲劇表演練習

第二週- 戲劇表演練習

第三週- 戲劇表演練習

第四週- Unit 28 “介詞”

拼音課

在我們的拼音課上，我們使用的是”Sadlier Phonics Level K”課本，這是一本色彩豐富的彩色書，可讓孩子們學習字母的發音，與發音速度和技巧。

第一週- 字母 Q 辨認

第二週- 字母 V 辨認

第三週- 字母 Y 辨認

第四週- 字母 Z 辨認

小肌肉大肌肉技能

在課程中，學生將學習如何在課堂上動手實作，並通過結合遊戲和歌曲的各種課堂活動來訓練我們的大小肌肉。

第一週- 字母

第二週- 字母

第三週- 字母

第四週- 字母

體育課程

體育課對孩子們來說是釋放汗水並增進體能的絕好機會。對孩子來說，鍛煉身體和心理健康非常重要，我們也可以從中獲得很多樂趣。

第一週-呼拉圈

第二週- Parachute Games

第三週-高爾夫球

第四週-跑步競賽

專題活動

每個月都會指派一位外籍老師來計劃和安排給定主題的活動。可以是小型藝術項目，在學校附近進行短暫的實地考察，甚至是在教室裡的聚會都可以！主題通常與世界各地的不同節日有關，因此它確實有助於他們在玩樂的同時了解不同的文化。

第一週- 國際文化

第二週-國際文化

第三週-國際文化

第四週-國際文化

唱歌和跳舞課程

對於我自己和學生們來說，這是一個絕佳的機會，可以使他們彼此結合併一起欣賞一些歌曲。除了預定的歌曲外，我還將教孩子們迪士尼目錄中的其他歌曲，音樂劇，或者是我發現對孩子有好處的歌曲！

第一週- Bus

第二週- Bus

第三週- Rain, Rain, Go Away

第四週- Rain, Rain Go Away

圖書館/故事時間

每週，孩子們和我本人都會去圖書館讀書，並交換書籍。很高興看到他們所有人都聽故事並引起興趣！他們真的參與了故事，我相信這對他們的聆聽，理解和想像力很有幫助！