



## **K4 Elephant Class October 2021 Newsletter.**

We now into our third month of K4 and I am delighted the progress the students have made in such a short time this year. The students are all very excited for Halloween and many of them have already decided upon their costumes. We will also begin preparations for the students drama play in the last week on the month.

### **Reading**

We will continue to read one book per a week as a class. The students reading ability is progressing well, and I am pleased with the progress the class is making. We read in class everyday and it takes a long time for students to become independent readers. However, with hard work and perseverance I am sure all the students will get there.

Week 1: 10/04 – 10/08 – Out the Door

Week 2: 10/12 – 10/15 – Rain Rain

Week 3: 10/18 – 10/22 – My Costume

Week 4: 10/25 – 10/29 – The Dog Show

### **Core material**

During October we will finish studying Unit 9 from McGraw Hill Reading Wonders and begin Unit 10. These books are very colorful, which helps maintain the students' concentration. Furthermore, there are simple stories which helps improve their reading ability, and also phonics exercises.

Week 1: 10/04 – 10/08 K Unit 9

Week 2: 10/12 – 10/15 K Unit 9

Week 3: 10/18 – 10/22 K Unit 10

Week 4: 10/25 – 10/29 K Unit 10

### **Phonics**

We have a busy month of phonics ahead. We will start by looking at some end sounds of words "ff", "ss", "tt", "ll", "dd", "gg" and "zz". Then we will look at the middle sound in words. I am pleased with the progress the class is making with their phonics ability, and it certainly aides their reading ability too.

Week 1: 10/04 – 10/08 P39-42

Week 2: 10/12 – 10/15 P43, 44, 46, 47

Week 3: 10/18 – 10/22 P48, 54, 55, 56

Week 4: 10/25 – 10/29 P 57-60

## **MPM Math**

This month we will begin to study MPM C3. The math is becoming gradually more challenging for the students as they progress through the books. The students thoroughly enjoy these lessons and are always happy to hear when we are taking out our MPM books.

Week 1: 10/04 – 10/08 P1-5 – Counting objects

Week 2: 10/12 – 10/15 P06-10 – Combination and Separation of Properties

Week 3: 10/18 – 10/22 P11-14 Spatial Description

Week 4: 10/25 – 10/29 Drama practice

## **Grammar**

We will continue our study of grammar using the SPACE book. The students are becoming more accustomed to this book. Although some of the exercises are difficult the students are able to understand the concept.

Book 1

Week 1: 10/04 – 10/08 P22-23

Week 2: 10/12 – 10/15 P24-25

Week 3: 10/18 – 10/22 P26-27

Week 4: 10/25 – 10/29 P28-29

## **Grammar Workbook**

Week 1: 10/04 – 10/08 P11

Week 2: 10/12 – 10/15 P12

Week 3: 10/18 – 10/22 P13

Week 4: 10/25 – 10/29 P14

## **Song and Dance**

Song and dance class remains very popular with the students. As well as the designated songs below I allow the students to request their favorite English songs. I am looking forward to teaching the students the Hokey Pokey, which was one of my favorite childhood songs.

Week 1: 10/04 – 10/08 Hokey Pokey

Week 2: 10/12 – 10/15 Itsy Bitsy Spider

Week 3: 10/18 – 10/22 Itsy Bitsy Spider

Week 4: 10/25 – 10/29 My Umbrella

## **Hand writing**

The students will continue to learn how to write throughout this year. We will complete pages in the handwriting book provided, but this will also be subsidized with various handwriting worksheets. At the moment the students are learning spaces between words.

## **Thematic Activities**

The students thoroughly enjoy our Thematic Activities. They learn about a particular subject for a month, and then make crafts based around the subject.

This month the thematic active will be about Halloween.

## **Library**

Once a week we all go to the Library. I have found the students are able to concentrate much more this year, and story time has become a weekly favorite.

Thank you very much and take care.

Dominic



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親愛的家長您好：

孩子們升上中班到現在來到第三個月了，很高興孩子們在短短的時間內都有很明顯的進步。這個月開始他們對於萬聖節都感到非常興奮與期待，也有許多小朋友已經決定了他們的服裝了，期待孩子能度過一個愉快的節日。另外從月底開始，我們也將開始準備話劇表演。

### **Reading**

閱讀能是我們很重要的一環，我們會繼續每週閱讀一本書。學生的閱讀能力進步很多，對於班上孩子的閱讀能力我感到十分驕傲。我們每天都在課堂上閱讀，孩子們還是需要很長時間才能開始獨立的閱讀。但是，我相信透過努力和毅力，所有的孩子都可以提升到那樣的程度。以下為本月課程進度表：

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### **Core Material**

十月份，我們會進行 McGraw Hill Reading Wonders 第 9 單元以及 10 單元。這些書非常豐富多彩，有助於提升孩子的注意力和學習興趣。此外，還有一些簡單的故事有助於提高他們的閱讀能力以及拼音練習。以下為本月課程進度表：

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Week 4: 10/25 – 10/29 K Unit 10

### **Phonics**

這個月的課程很多元緊湊，我們會開始介紹不同類型的發音規則。例如：“ff”、“ss”、“tt”、“ll”、“dd”、“gg”和“zz”等一些結束音。我對大部分孩子在拼讀能力方面的表現很滿意，這當然也有助於他們的閱讀能力。以下為本月課程進度表：

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## **MPM Math**

這個月我們將開始學習 **MPM C3**。隨著課程的進行，數學對學生來說變得越來越具有挑戰性。學生們非常喜歡這些課程，甚至也有一些孩子說最喜歡的課程是 **MPM** 呢!以下為本月課程進度表：

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## **Grammar**

我們依然使用 **SPACE** 讓孩子做一些文法練習。孩子慢慢能夠掌握書本的脈絡並做簡單的書寫練習。雖然有些部分比較難，但學生們能夠理解這個概念，我們也會盡力幫助孩子。以下為本月課程進度表：

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## **Song and Dance**

歌舞課仍然很受學生歡迎，除了下面的指定歌曲，我也開放讓孩子可以點播他們最喜歡的英文歌曲。我期待可以教學生唱 **Hokey Pokey**，因為這是最喜歡的兒時歌曲之一。

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## **Hand Writing**

今年，我們也會著重於孩子的書寫練習。我們也會完成寫字本，孩子也開始了解句子的組成以及該如何適當分配單字與單字間的空隙。

## **Thematic Activities**

學生們非常喜歡我們的主題活動。每個月的我們都有一個特定主題，依據主題製作一些美術作品，本月的主題活動是關於萬聖節。

## **Library**

每週我們都去圖書館，同時我也發現小朋友們今年能夠更加專注，故事時間已成為每週的最愛。

Thank you very much and take care.

Dominic