



Unicorn Class Newsletter

October 2021

Dear parents,

Unicorn class just keeps doing better and better. The children have settled into our routine and are really starting to blossom. They are making friends and seem to enjoy school and all that we are learning. We are starting to learn sight words or those common words that children come to recognize as they start to learn how to decode language. I am thrilled with how well the students are responding and most of the students can now answer at least some basic questions in English and they are beginning to be able to ask questions as well. In this month of October, we are going to be able to begin practicing the drama we have for class. The children are excited to be able to perform the songs they have been learning. Unicorn class really enjoys music. It is both a challenge for the students and a reward. Every student has their favorite songs and look forward to each one. We are also learning a Halloween song and some Halloween vocabulary. Within the curriculum we are on track with where we should be at this point. Lessons are going well and the children are improving their abilities to focus. Overall the class continues to improve and they speak less and less Chinese in class.

Reading

The students really shine in this class. We have all of the vocabulary from each book illustrated in large form on the white board and the children are very enthusiastic learners. Each eagerly awaits their turn to read and contribute. We also use some games to keep the class interesting and entertaining. The children really enjoy coming up to the white board to show what they have learned and are doing well. From this vocabulary we have begun to make some simple sentences.

-Week 10: I like shapes.

-Week 11: What am I?

-Week 12: I can, we can.

-Week 13: Hats.

Phonics

We have moved into our big phonics book now that it has arrived and the students are working hard to use their hands to beginning to learn how to form the shapes for letters. At this age this is a challenge but we are doing well with it and I am happy with how this is progressing. It will take a few months before the hands develop well enough to good penmanship but these beginning steps are important to help with the journey. We are continuing to spend some of our free time going over the alphabet to make the sounds and letters something the students know very well.

-Week 10: P31-32

-Week 11: P33-35

-Week 12: P36-39

-Week 13: P40-42

Conversation

We are moving deeper into the Up and Away book. The book is helping the children with the sight word vocabulary that we are teaching now. Being able to say "I am a boy", or "That is my book", is what we hope to have by the end of October, along with a few other simple sentences.

-Week 10: Unit 6

-Week 11: Unit 7

-Week 12: Unit 8

-Week 13: Unit 9

Core Material

We continue into our core material books in class. These simple stories are great for helping the students learn to better communicate in English. We can talk about the things we like to do. Again, in this class we have all of the key words illustrated on the board and the children interact with that. We also use this to talk about the subject and work towards getting the children to think beyond the book and into their own experience to talk about how they feel. The children are excited for the new books and so are we. This month we will be covering the Start Smart book.

-Week 10: Unit 1

-Week 11: Unit 1

-Week 12: Unit 1

-Week 13: Unit 1

MPM (Math)

The students are very excited for MPM time. We are continuing to work with numbers and shapes but we're now also learning pattern recognition. The opportunity to use the books and the accompanying shapes and tools is a lot of fun for the students.

-Week 10: A3: P01-05

-Week 11: A3: P06-10

-Week 12: A3: P11-14

-Week 13: Drama Practice

Gross Motor Skills

We have a few favorite sets of exercises that the students really enjoy. A particular favorite is dinosaur exercises where we move like different dinosaurs as we learn about them. We're asked for this on a lot. We also teach balance and stretching in class.

-Week 6: Zumba for kids

-Week 7: Zumba for kids

-Week 8: Drama Practice

-Week 9: Drama Practice

Songs and Movement

The children really do enjoy starting each morning with music. Tears from saying goodbye to mom or dad suddenly disappear, and our young students hurry over to be a part of this class. All of the songs we teach have big, fun movements to them and we get a chance to work off a little energy before we start the rest of our day.

-Week 10: 5 little monkeys

-Week 11: Polly and Paul play the piano

-Week 12: Polly and Paul play the piano

-Week 13: Wheels on the bus



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親愛的爸媽，

獨角獸班的學習持續進步中，孩子們已經適應了我們的日常作息，學習熱忱正要綻放，他們正在交朋友，似乎很享受學校生活，這都是我們正在學習的。我們開始學習常見字或當他們表達語言時有些孩子們能辨識如何構句。我對學生們的回饋表現感到非常興奮，至少大多數學生現在可以用基礎的英語回應，並且也能用英語問問題，在這十月份，我們將能夠開始練習我們班的話劇。孩子們都很高興能夠展現出他們曾經學過的歌曲。獨角獸班孩子們真的很喜歡音樂。它既是對學生的一種挑戰同時也是種獎勵。我們同時也在學習萬

聖節歌曲和一些萬聖節的字彙。我們已在課程的重點學習中上軌道了! 課程進展順利，孩子們專注的力也正在提升中。總體而言，班上所有孩子們持續在進步，他們在課堂上說中文狀況越來越少了。

閱讀

學生們在這個班上表現真的很耀眼，我們將每本書所有的字彙插圖都放大呈現在白板上，孩子們個個都熱忱的學習。每個人都迫不及待地等待輪到他們閱讀和表現。我們也用一些遊戲來使課堂保持有趣和愉快的學習。孩子們真的很喜歡到白板前展現他們的學習成果而且做得很好。從這個字彙我們開始造一些簡單的句子。

- 第 10 週：我喜歡形狀。
- 第 11 週：我的職業是什麼？
- 第 12 週：我可以，我們都可以。
- 第 13 週：帽子。

自然發音

我們已經進入了我們的大拼音書，因為它已經到了，學生們正在努力的使用他們的手開始學習如何寫出字母的形狀。在這個年紀真是一個挑戰，但我們在此練習做得很好，我很開心在這過程的進展的。在手發育尚未完全之前，它會需要幾個月的時間才能有較好的字跡，但這些都是很重要對剛開始起步學習有幫助的路程。我們現在持續花一些空檔時間一次次的認字母及其發音，關於字母的一些教學的東西，學生們都認得很好。

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會話

我們正更深入學習 **Up and Away** 這本書。這本書正在幫助孩子們掌握我們現在正在教的常見字彙。學習更多的常見字彙。使能夠說“我是男孩”或“那是我的書”，以及一些簡單的句子，是我們在十月結束時引領期盼具備的能力。

- 第 10 週：第 6 單元
- 第 11 週：第 7 單元
- 第 12 週：第 8 單元
- 第 13 週：第 9 單元

核心教材

我們在課堂上繼續閱讀我們的核心材料書籍。這些簡單的故事對學生們學習用英語溝通非常有幫助。我們可以談談我們喜歡做的事情。此外，我們擁有所有這些插圖的關鍵字白板上讓孩子們接續互動。我們也用這來談論這個主題和努力讓孩子們超越書本思考並融入他們自己的經歷來談談他們的感受。孩子們對這些新書感到興奮，我們也是。本月我們將介紹 **Start Smart** 書籍。

- 第 10 週：第 1 單元

- 第 11 週：第 1 單元
- 第 12 週：第 1 單元
- 第 13 週：第 1 單元

MPM (數學)

學生們對 MPM 時間感到非常興奮。我們是繼續處理數字和形狀，現在除了正在學習形態的辨識外，我們也持續在學習數字和形狀。學生們有機會使用 MPM 書籍和隨附的形狀和工具給他們帶來很多的樂趣。

- 第 10 週：A3：P01-05
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- 第 13 週：話劇練習

大肌肉運動

我們有幾套是學生練習時真的很享受的運動方式。特別受歡迎的是恐龍運動練習，當我們學習運動時，就像在學習不同恐龍模仿他們的動作。孩子們最常要求要做這套。在課堂上我們也教孩子們平衡並伸展。

- 第 6 週：幼兒尊巴舞
- 第 7 週：幼兒尊巴舞
- 第 8 週：話劇練習
- 第 9 週：話劇練習

歌曲律動

孩子們真的很喜歡每天開始的晨間音樂。和爸爸媽媽說再見分離焦慮的眼淚瞬間消失，我們的小幼學生們會趕緊參與這個班上活動。我們教的所有歌曲都給孩子們很大的樂趣和動作，是為我們疲憊一天的開始啟動精力的好時機。

- 第 10 週：5 隻小猴子
- 第 11 週：波莉和保羅彈鋼琴
- 第 12 週：波莉和保羅彈鋼琴
- 第 13 週：公車上的輪子