

Elephant Class Newsletter April 2022

We start the month with a four-day weekend. I hope you all enjoy the extended weekend. The children will also participate in an Easter activity day on Friday 15th April. I remember this from last year and the students throughout enjoyed the activities. Unfortunately, the field trip scheduled on the 12th April has been cancelled due to the corona virus. We will also spend a little bit of time in April preparing the students for their drama play, which will take place on Thursday 19th May.

Reading

Week 1 4/4 – 4/8 – What Can Insects Do?

Week 2 4/11 – 4/15- Wind

Week 3 4/18 – 4/22 Who Needs Water?

Week 4 4/25 – 4/29 At Home in a Shell.

As usual we will read one book every week. We usually read the book in the morning, before outdoor play time. The students are making good progress with their reading ability. We will continue to practice with them on a daily basis. Reading is an essential life skill and it is essential the students learn to read independently.

Core material

Week 1 4/4 – 4/8 –Review

Week 2 4/11 – 4/15- Unit 2 Week 3

Week 3 4/18 – 4/22 – Unit 2 Week 3

Week 4 4/25 – 4/29 – Unit 2 Week 4

The McGraw-Hill reading wonders helps the students with various skills, particularly, reading, phonics, and conversation. The students thoroughly enjoy studying them. This month the students will look at various houses around the world, and why they are different from each other.

Phonics

Week 1 4/4 – 4/8 – Review

Week 2 4/11 – 4/15- P185, P186, P187, P189

Week 3 4/18 – 4/22- P192, P193, P194, P195

Week 4 4/25 – 4/29 – P196, P197, P198, P199

The first week of April will be review week. I will use this time to compare and contrast the short and long vowel sounds. We will then aim to complete four pages per week. Not only does this book help with their phonics ability it also aids their vocabulary and reading skills.

MPM Math

Week 1 4/4 – 4/8 – D3-07-12

Week 2 4/11 – 4/15- D3 P13-18

Week 3 4/18 – 4/22- D4 P01 - 5

Week 4 4/25 – 4/29 – Prepare for drama play.

This month we will finish the book D3 and begin D4. We will also use the time we usually study MPM in the final week of April to prepare the students for their drama play. This month the topics from MPM will be measurement, ordinal number, and combination and separation of numbers.

Grammar

Book 1

Week 1 4/4 – 4/8 –Review

Week 2 4/11 – 4/15- P70-71

Week 3 4/18 – 4/22 P72-73

Week 4 4/25 – 4/29 P74-75

The first week we will review the topics the students have found most difficult so far. The students will look at the modal verb can /can't and learn how to make and answer questions using can and can't.

Song and Dance

Week 1 4/4 – 4/8 – Who stole the cookie from the cookie jar?

Week 2 4/11 – 4/15- Who stole the cookie from the cookie jar?

Week 3 4/18 – 4/22- One elephant went out to play.

Week 4 4/25 – 4/29- Drama play practice.

We will start the month by learning the song “Who stole the cookie from the cookie jar?”, we will then learn “One elephant went out to play”. We will also spend a substantial amount of time during our song and dance classes preparing the students for the songs and dances they will perform in the drama show.

Hand writing

We will continue to practice handwriting with students most mornings. Most students are now good at writing sentences from a picture I provide. Once I am satisfied with the overall standard of the class, I will change the writing activity.

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 topic for our thematic activities will be “International Culture”

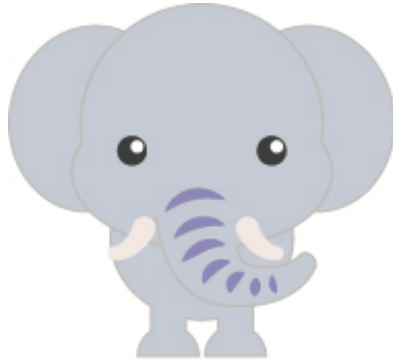
Library

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.

I hope you all enjoy the long weekend at the start of the month. As usual we will be busy and productive in elephant class. If you have any concerns or queries, please do not hesitate to ask myself or Teacher Dale.

Yours sincerely,

Teacher Dominic.



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本月一開始就有為期四天的假期，希望你們假期愉快。4月15日星期五有復活活動，我記得去年舉辦復活節活動時，學生們都很喜歡這項活動。不幸的是，由於疫情關係教育部對於未施打疫苗的孩子有較多限制，因此原定4月12日的校外教學已取消。另外我們將在4月開始準備孩子們的戲劇表演，戲劇表演將於5月19日星期四舉行。

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像往常一樣，我們每週都會讀一本書。我們通常會利用早晨時間唸讀小書。大部分的孩子們閱讀能力已有不錯的進步，我們會每天與他們一起練習。閱讀是一項必不可少的生活技能，學生們能夠學會獨立閱讀對於往後的學習至關重要。

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McGraw-Hill 系列書籍多面向的幫助學生學習，尤其是閱讀、拼音和基礎對話，學生們非常喜歡閱讀這些短文。這個月我們將參觀世界各地的各種房屋，並了解各種房屋的建構理念與特色。

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四月的第一週是複習週，利用這段時間來複習短元音和長元音之間的差別。我們的課程進度是每週完成四頁題本練習，這本書不僅有助於他們的拼音能力，還有助於他們的增加詞彙量和閱讀技巧。

MPM Math

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Week 4 4/25 – 4/29 – Prepare for drama play.

這個月我們將完成本書 D3 並開始 D4。但在四月最後一週我瞞會利用 MPM 的時間來準備戲劇表演。本月 MPM 的主題將是量數、序列以及數字的簡單加減法。

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第一週我們會複習學生們目前覺得最困難也最容易混淆的主題。我們會學習如何使用動詞 can/can't，並學習如何使用 can 和 can't 作為問句和回答問題。

Song and Dance

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我們將學習新的歌曲“Who stole the cookie from the cookie jar?”

“One elephant went out to play”。其餘的時間我們將會練習有關於戲劇表演的歌曲。

Hand writing

大多數早上，我們還是會繼續與學生一起練習手寫。現在大多數學生都擅長根據我提供的圖片寫句子。我對班級的整體水平感到滿意，等到孩子們程度穩定之後，我們就會再做更進階的練習。

Thematic Activities

學生們非常喜歡我們的主題活動，本月主題活動的主題是“國際文化”

Library

每週一我們都會借閱圖書館的書籍帶回家閱讀。故事時間是孩子們每週的最愛。如果您有任何疑慮或疑問，請隨時問我自己或 TR.Dale。

Yours sincerely,
Teacher Dominic.