

## **Penguin Class Newsletter August and September 2022**

Dear parents,

Welcome back to Marshall school! As kids move up to K4, they will be doing more practices on writing, phonics, spelling, and word recognition. Some tasks may seem difficult at first, but with practice the kids will become very proficient with them.

Best wishes,  
Marshall

### **Reading**

Reading class is something we take a lot of pride in here at Marshall. We aim to have a class of independent readers with a full grasp of phonics and the pronunciation of words. 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. As reading is a personal favourite pass 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.

Aug 1-5: Time for Bed

Aug 8-12: What Lila Loves

Aug 15-19: Flying Butter

Aug 22-26: Snow Joe

Aug 29 -Sept 2: Joshua James Likes Trucks

Sept 5-8: It's Circle Time!

Sept 12-16: Here Comes the Parade

Sept 19-23: I Love Trees

Sept 26-30: Out the Door

### **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 analyse stories, practice vowel sounds and use a selection of keywords for sentence making and grammar. The kids will use this opportunity to strengthen their phonics, vocabulary, and reading comprehension.

Aug 1- Aug 26: Unit 1 Week 1 Workshop

Aug 29 - Sept 30: Unit 1 Week 1 Anthology

### **Conversation**

The kids received a new book for their conversation class. In this book, the kids will focus on important grammar points, which would help them with building complete and correct sentences.

Aug 1-12: P6-9 (capital letters/small letters, periods, and question marks)  
Aug 15-26: P10-13 (a/an, consonants and vowels)  
Aug 29 -Sept 16: P14-19 (singular/plural nouns)  
Sept 19-23: P20-21 (unit review)  
Sept 26-30: P22-23 (subject pronouns/ be verb)

### **Phonics**

This semester we will increase our focus on phonics to aid their reading development to add to their pre-existing knowledge and of sightwords. This is the basis of reading so is very important as their vocabulary increases and difficulty level advances. We use a combination of workbook exercises and whiteboard activities and combine it with spelling.

Aug 1-5: P7-10 (f, m, s)  
Aug 8-12: P11-14 (t, h, b)  
Aug 15-19: P15-18 (assessment)  
Aug 22-26: P19-22 (c, l, n, g)  
Aug 29 -Sept 2: P23-26 (assessment)  
Sept 5-8: P27-30 (p, r, k)  
Sept 12-16: P31-34 (j, q, u, v)  
Sept 19-23: P35-38 (y, z, x)  
Sept 26-30: P39-42 (double consonants)

### **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 month we will focus on...

Aug 1-5: C1 P01-05  
Aug 8-12: C1 P06-10  
Aug 15-19: C1 P11-14  
Aug 22-26: C1 P15-18  
Aug 29 -Sept 2: C2 P01-05  
Sept 5-8: It's C2 P06-10  
Sept 12-16: C2 P11-14  
Sept 19-23: C2 P15-18  
Sept 26-30: C3 P01-05

### **Song and Dance**

This is a great opportunity for myself and the students to bond and enjoy some songs together. Singing and dancing not only teaches new words and tunes but also aids listening and Gross/Fine Motor skills as dancing involves learning movements so requires good co-ordination. These songs and dances are often included in our Drama Plays so are an important aspect of Marshall school life.

Aug 1-5: Say Hello  
Aug 8-12: Say Hello  
Aug 15-19: Say Hello  
Aug 22-26: Down by the River  
Aug 29 -Sept 2: Down by the River  
Sept 5-8: It's Down by the River  
Sept 12-16: Hickory, Dickory Duck  
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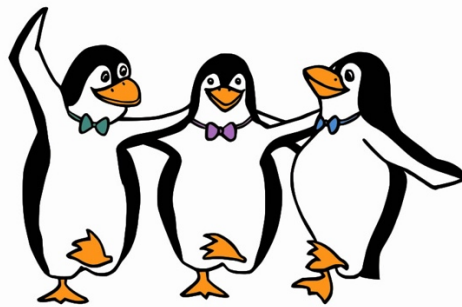
## **Thematic Activity**

Each month a different foreign teacher is assigned to plan and arrange activities of a given theme. 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. August's activities will revolve around the theme of the ocean, and September's activities will revolve around the theme of autumn.

## **Writing**

This is a new class for the kids to practice their writing skills and penmanship. They will learn to hold a pencil properly and start the workbook by drawing controlled lines using a pencil and write the alphabet letters following guided lines. Then they will move on to writing simple words and sentences.

I hope this has been an insightful newsletter for you all,  
Thank you for reading!  
Best wishes, Tr. Eamonn



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親愛的家長您好：

歡迎回到瑪歇爾幼兒園中班校園生活，隨著孩子們升上了中班，他們會在書寫上、拼音、拼讀、單字識別有更多的練習。一開始對孩子們來說有點困難，隨著越來越多的練習與經驗累積，孩子會逐漸熟悉。

## **Reading**

閱讀課在馬歇爾是引以為傲的一門課，我們的目標是讓孩子成為小讀者，掌握發音和拼音來自行閱讀，這門課也是很好的機會讓孩子能夠累積單字量及促進對話技巧。我發現閱讀課可以激發孩子的想像力及促使他們在自己的時間進行閱讀。閱讀是我個人很享受的消遣時光，因此我會盡可能地促使孩子在這個項目有好的表現，希望你能夠看到孩子穩定的成長。

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## Core Material

這是包含閱讀、文法和發音技能的全方位課程。在這些課程中，孩子們被要求學習分析故事、練習母音，並使用一系列關鍵字來練習完整句子及文法。這一年我們會評估孩子的拼念和概念理解。這是一種無壓力的情況，透過讓孩子練習“填空”或“選擇正確的單字”來進行評估。我會鼓勵孩子自己做，而不是大聲說出答案，這樣每個孩子都有機會獨自完成。我們會複習並測試關鍵詞的拼念。

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## Conversation

在馬歇爾，生活會話是不可或缺的一部分，在課堂上我們會正式的進行教學，並且在英語老師在的時時刻刻都會進行教學，我們鼓勵孩子在上學的期間說英文，在午餐時間、遊戲時間...在日常生活練習說英文。生活會話開始於簡單的問題，像是你叫什麼名字？並隨著他們的英文能力發展而發展，我喜歡看著孩子成長並樂見孩子展現他們的個人特質。

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## Phonics

這學期我們將重視發音，以幫助孩子們的閱讀發展，以增加他們已有的知識和關鍵字。這是非常重要的閱讀基礎，因此隨著他們詞彙量的增加，難度也會逐漸提高，這一點非常重要。我們藉由簿本練習和白板活動，並將發音與拚念結合起來。

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## Math

我們採用 MPM 教材及簿本進行數學教學，MPM 教材真的有一種獨特而有趣的方式，讓孩子們透過有趣的方式和遊戲相關聯的動物、顏色和物體讓孩子們學習基礎的數學概念！本月我們將專注於.....

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### **Song and Dance**

這對我和學生來說是很好的機會，可以一起欣賞、享受歌曲。唱歌和跳舞不僅可以教授單字和曲調，還有助於聽力和大肌肉運動技能，因為舞蹈涉及學習動作，因此需要良好的協調。這些歌曲和舞蹈通常包含在我們的戲劇表演中，這也是馬歇爾學校生活的一個重要部分。

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### **Thematic Activity**

每個月不同的英文老師會計劃並安排特定的主題活動。可以是小型的美術創作、學校附近的短途實地考察，甚至是教室裡的派對！這些主題通常與世界各地的不同節日有關，因此這些活動有助於孩子們在享受樂趣的同時可以了解不同的文化。8月的活動將圍繞著海洋的主題活動展開，9月的活動將圍繞著秋天的主題。這對孩子們來說總是有趣和令人興奮的。

### **Writing :**

這是中班開始的課程，孩子們將正確練習握筆的技巧，以及練習控制自己的手將鉛筆描繪在線上，注意字母的正確位置，他們會有自己的書寫練習本，他們也會開始練習寫單字及簡單的句子。

感謝你的閱讀，希望這封信能使你更清楚的了解課程

Best wishes, Tr. Eamonn