



## **Koala Class Newsletter April 2023**

Welcome to the Koala Class monthly newsletter for April.

March was a busy month. We had parent's evening and the school sports day. April will be another busy and fun month for Koala Class. We will go on an exciting school field trip, possibly to a farm. I'm sure the kids will love it! Here is a detailed look at what Koala Class will be learning in the month of April.

### **Reading**

The class reads the reading books several times every day. I am very strict when it comes to reading time. Everyone sits down and we read together following the words with our fingers. Often the kids will have questions about the story and about words they don't understand. I positively encourage questions about the reading material and make sure they understand. After reading together, individuals are chosen to read to the whole class so their pronunciation can be checked and corrected if necessary. Sometimes during outdoor play I will give extra reading practice and attention to those who need it.

Week 1 - catch-up & review

Week 2 - Pete the Cat's Train Trip

Week 3 - Pete the Cat - Sir Pete the Brave

Week 4 - Lucky Goes to School!

### **Core Material**

Week 1 - Catch-up and Review

Weeks 2 & 3 - The Nice Mitten

Week 4 - The Gingerbread Man

### **Phonics**

The phonics book has many fun activities for the students. It teaches the kids letter recognition and the different sounds they make.

Week 1 - catch-up & review

Week 2 - diphthongs ow and ou

Week 3 - diphthongs oi, oy, ew

Week 4 - high frequency words

### **MPM Math (Multiple Practice Module)**

MPM math is great fun for the new students. It teaches the kids the basics of mathematics in fun and interesting ways. Their new MPM boxes are full of stuff to help them learn.

Week 1 - catch-up & review

Week 2 - Ascend counting addition exercises. Shape corresponding exercises. Number writing exercises. Elementary algebraic addition exercises. Quadrant corresponding counting exercises.

Week 3 - Intentional property of set identifying exercises. Concept of intersection of sets. Number and circle drawing exercises. Shapes and colours corresponding exercises. Elementary algebraic addition exercises.

Week 4 - prepare for drama play

### **Conversation / Grammar**

This is a chance for the students to practice speaking. It teaches them to ask and answer questions using full sentences to show off their speaking abilities.

Week 1 - Imperatives e.g. Catch the ball. / Don't eat it. / Draw a picture. / Don't touch it.

Week 2 - Present Continuous e.g. I am reading. / They are talking. / He is eating.

Week 3 - Present Continuous: Negative & Questions e.g. I'm not sleeping. I am reading a book. / Are you brushing your teeth? No, I'm not.

Week 4 - Unit Review

### **Writing - Write Now!**

The writing book has many fill in the blank exercises for the students to complete. It also provides them with the opportunity to practicing writing unique activities such as writing a personal profile and describing their families.

Week 1 - catch-up & review

Week 2 - Adjective sequencing exercises. Wolf the Wolf Wanted Poster.

Week 3 - The Treasure Hunt - Exercises that teach how to describe locations.

Week 4 - There is / are - Prepositions e.g. There is a door. / There is some treasure. / There are trees.

### **Song and Dance**

We have song & dance classes in the mornings to create a group bond & promote confidence.

Weeks 1-2 - Somewhere Out There

Week 3 - Habitat Song

Week 4 - Drama Song Practice

### **Thematic Activities**

Thematic studies are a series of lessons that focus on a specific topic, for example countries, festivals, and special events. Thematic studies are once per week and last for one month on the same subject.

### **Library**

Once a week the class will visit the library to read English reading books. This a popular lesson with the kids because they love to listen to the teacher read them a good story. The class will sit and listen to the teacher and enjoy looking at the pictures in the book as the story is read to them.

They also have the opportunity to borrow a book for the week to take home and read by themselves or with mommy & daddy.

That concludes the Koala Class monthly newsletter for April.

As always, if you have any comments, concerns, or you just want to chat with me, feel free to write me a message in the English weekly communication books.

I look forward to seeing you all again soon.  
Teacher Rich



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歡迎來到 4 月給家長的一封信。

3 月是忙碌的一個月，我們有親師座談會及校內運動會。對無尾熊班來說，4 月將又是一個忙碌且有趣的月份，我們將進行令人興奮的戶外教學，可能會去農場，我相信孩子會喜歡的！。

以下是無尾熊班 4 月的詳細學習內容。

### **Reading**

我們每天閱讀小書數次，在閱讀時間，我會嚴格請每位孩子都坐好，用手指著單字跟著一起唸出來。通常孩子們會對故事及單字有不懂的地方，我會鼓勵他們提出問題，並且確認他們是否理解。一起閱讀後，會請孩子個別朗讀給全班同學聽，在必要時能確認並糾正發音，有時在戶外遊戲時間，我會幫需要加強的孩子，額外練習閱讀及其需要加強的地方。

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Week 2 - Pete the Cat's Train Trip

Week 3 - Pete the Cat - Sir Pete the Brave

Week 4 - Lucky Goes to School!

### **Core Material**

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Weeks 2 & 3 - The Nice Mitten

Week 4 - The Gingerbread Man

### **Phonics**

這個教材為孩子提供了許多有趣的活動，教孩子們認識字母和不同的發音。

Week 1 - catch-up & review

Week 2 - diphthongs ow and ou

Week 3 - diphthongs oi, oy, ew

Week 4 - high frequency words

### **MPM Math (Multiple Practice Module)**

MPM 數學對孩子來說相當有趣，用有趣的方式教孩子們數學的基本知識，MPM 寶盒有許多教具，可以幫助他們學習。

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**Week 4 - prepare for drama play**

### **Conversation / Grammar**

這是孩子練習口語能力的機會，教會孩子用完整的句子來提問和回答問題，展現他們的口語能力。

**Week 1 - Imperatives e.g. Catch the ball. / Don't eat it. / Draw a picture. / Don't touch it.**

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**Week 4 - Unit Review**

### **Writing - Write Now!**

寫字本有許多填空題讓孩子完成，還為他們提供了練習寫作獨特活動的機會，例如撰寫個人資料與描述他們的家庭。

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### **Song and Dance**

我們早上有唱歌、跳舞的活動，建立班級的情感並增強自信心。

**Weeks 1-2 - Somewhere Out There**

**Week 3 - Habitat Song**

**Week 4 - Drama Song Practice**

### **Thematic Activities**

是一系列專注於特定主題的課程，例如國家、節慶和特別事件。每週進行一次，針對同一主題持續一個月。

### **Library**

全班每週一次到圖書館閱讀英文書籍，這是孩子最喜歡的課程，因為他們喜歡聽老師說好聽的故事。

全班坐下來聽老師講故事，並且欣賞故事中的圖畫。

他們也可以每週借閱書籍回家，自己閱讀或跟爸爸媽媽一起閱讀。

以上是無尾熊班 4 月給家長的一封信。

和往常一樣，如果您有任何意見、疑問，或者想與我聊聊天，可以在每週帶回的英文聯絡本留下訊息。

期待很快再見到你們。  
**Teacher Rich**