

# Koala Class Newsletter August/September 2023

Hello and welcome to the first Koala Class monthly newsletter. My name is Teacher Rich. I am the English teacher for Koala Class. Koala Class is now my 5th class at Marshall School and this will be my 10th year teaching here.

This newsletter will provide information about our school curriculum for the months of August and September. Every month I will produce a newsletter that briefly explains what the students will be studying. It may also contain information regarding school activities such as Halloween, drama plays, Christmas shows, and school trips.

Here is what Koala Class will be learning in the months of August and September.

### 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.

August

Week 1 - School Week 2 - Lunch Week 3 - I Like Week 4 - I Am Week 5 - I Can See September Week 1 - Dogs Week 2 - We Are Painting Week 3 - We Can Go Week 4 - Can You See It?

# Core Material

For the first month the class will practice letter recognition A-Z. For the second month the class will use the Start Smart book to practice the letters of the alphabet.

August - Letter Recognition: A-Z September - Start Smart

### Phonics

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

August

Weeks 1-3 - Name the pictures

Week 4 - Letter Recognition f

Week 5 - Letter Recognition m

September

Weeks 1-2 - Letter Recognition s

Week 3 - Letter Recognition t

Week 4 - Letter Recognition h

# 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.

# August

Week 1 - Colour and shape matching. Straight line and circle drawing exercises.

Week 2 - Horizontal and vertical line drawing exercises.

Week 3 - Curve and poly line drawing exercises.

Week 4 - Number recognition 1 & 2.

Week 5 - Number recognition 1-3.

### September

Week 1 - Colour and shape matching. Identifying object exercises. Straight line drawing exercises.

Week 2 - Number recognition 1-3.

Week 3 - Number recognition 1-3. Number writing exercises.

Week 4 - Counting exercises. Colour and shape matching. Straight line and circle drawing exercises.

# Conversation

The conversation book introduces the students to useful vocabulary. It start with common animal names such as cat and dog, then continues to teach about every day object the kids might see in school such as pencil case, school bag, eraser etc. I practice with the students and show them other examples on the computer.

# **Gross / Fine Motor Skills**

These worksheets teach the class the letters of the alphabet. The have simple tasks the students must complete. The exercises usually involve identifying the correct letters.

# Song and Dance

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

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Weeks 1 & 2 - Walking, Walking / Good Morning Weeks 3 & 4 - Heads, Shoulders, Knees and Toes / One, Two, Buckle My Shoes Week 5 - Teddy Bear / Where is Thumb Kin September Week 1 - Teddy Bear / Where is Thumb Kin Weeks 2 & 3 - Colour Songs Week 4 - Little Monkeys Jumping on the Bed

### **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 the months of August and September. Feel free to leave me a comment in the English weekly communication book.

**Teacher Rich** 



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親愛的家長們

歡迎來到無尾熊班的第一次教學月刊。

我是 Richa 老師。孩子們的英文老師。無尾熊班是我在瑪歇爾幼兒學校的第五個班級,這也是我在這裡教學的第十個年頭。本月刊將提供有關學校八月和九月份課程的訊息內容。每個月,我都會製作一份簡要月刊,介紹學生將學習什麼內容和進度。月刊內容也會包含有關學校活動,如萬聖節、戲劇表演、聖誕節演出和戶外教學的訊息。

以下是本班在八月和九月份將要學習的內容~

#### 閱讀課程

在每天的閱讀課程中,我們會利用不同的遊戲或方式來進行閱讀書的內容,並閱讀數 次書本內容。在進行閱讀課程時,我非常嚴格,要求每個孩子坐在團討線上,並教導 孩子們運用手指逐字閱讀。另外孩子們通常會對閱讀書的故事內容和對不理解的單字 提出問题。我積極鼓勵孩子們提出問題,並確保孩子們能理解。在一起閱讀之後,將 會隨機挑選幾位孩子,向整個班級朗讀,以便檢查並在必要時纠正他們的發音。有 時,在戶外遊戲時,我會協助需要個別加強的孩子,做練習。 八月 Week 1 - School Week 2 - Lunch Week 3 - I Like Week 4 - I Am

Week 5 - I Can See

九月

Week 1 - Dogs

Week 2 - We Are Painting

Week 3 - We Can Go

Week 4 - Can You See It?

#### 主教材課程

在第一個月,我們將進行認識 26 個字母從 A 到 Z。在第二個月,將開始使用 Wonders 教材的第一本書 Start Smart 来練習字母表中的字母。

八月- Letter Recognition: A-Z 九月 - Start Smart

#### 發音課程

發音練習本為孩子們提供了許多有趣的活動。它教導孩子們認識字母以及認識字母的發音。

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九月

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#### MPM 課程

第一次接觸 MPM 數學的孩子,總是對它的教具和練習本感到新鮮有趣。它以有趣的 方式教導孩子們數學的基礎。MPM 教具盒中的材料,更提供孩子們利用具體的操作, 達到對數概念的認識。

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### 會話課程

運用(up and away)一書介紹了實用的單字,內容中從幼兒喜歡熟悉的動物,例如:狗、貓開始認識,在到學校、教室常見的日常用品,例如:鉛筆、書包....認識。除了 和孩子們一起練習外,我會運用教室多媒體工具向孩子們展示更多的圖片和例子。

#### 大、小肌肉訓練課程

利用一些練習單,讓孩子們塗寫,練習單的內容包括孩子們平日學習的字母、顏色、 數字....並運用到手部肌肉,一舉二得。

#### 體能課程

體能課提供了孩子們釋放能量、提高運動技能和建立社交技能的機會。孩子們喜歡這堂課,它可以消耗我們多餘的熱能並更專注於其他活動及學習。

#### 歌曲律動

我們在早上第一節課程,進行歌曲唱跳,以建立團體凝聚力並促進自信心。

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Weeks 2 & 3 - Color Songs

Week 4 - Little Monkeys Jumping on the Bed

#### 主題活動

每個月,都會指派一位老師來規劃和安排選定主題的活動。可以是一個美勞活動或是 一個實驗,活動型式不据,主题活動每周進行一次,持續一个月,關注同一主题。

#### 圖書借閱/故事時間

每周一次,班級會去圖書館閱讀英文故事書。這是一堂很受孩子們喜歡的課程,因為 孩子們喜歡聽老師講有趣的故事,同時欣赏書中的圖片。並借閱一本書,帶回家和爸 爸、媽媽們享受親子共讀的樂趣。

以上是八、九月的學習進度分享,歡迎家長們在親子聯絡本中留言分享

感謝您,耐心的詳閱 ! Teacher Rich