



Panda Class Newsletter November 2023

The start of the month will be taken up by rehearsals for the students' drama play which will take place on November 17th. This will be the first time the students will perform in front of an audience, and some of them will find it quite daunting. The students will say their lines in groups so it is a little easier for them. However, it will become easier over time, and the student will learn from the experience. After the drama play on November we will return to normal schedule.

Reading

Week 1 – 11/6 – 11/10 – Prepare for drama play.

Week 2 – 11/13 – 11/17 – Prepare for drama play.

Week 3 – 11/20 – 11/24 - Hot Dog

Week 4 – 11/27-12/1 – Big Bear Small Bear

Reading is an essential part of the curriculum at Marshall School. We practice reading the weekly reading book every day in the morning as well as reviewing books the students have read previously. It takes a long time and a lot of patience, for the students to develop their reading skills, so that they are able to read independently. As well as reading the weekly reading book we will also review the books they have read previously.

Core material

Week 1 – 11/6 – 11/10 – Prepare students for drama play

Week 2 – 11/13 – 11/17 – Prepare students for drama play

Week 3 – 11/20 – 11/24 – Unit 2

Week 4 – 11/27-12/1 – Unit 2

For the first two weeks of November, we will use the time we usually use to study the McGraw Hill books to prepare the students for their drama play. For the last two weeks the students will study Unit 2. The topics will be "Tools We Use," and "Shapes All Around Us."

Phonics

Week 1 – 11/6 – 11/10 – P64, 65, 66

Week 2 – 11/13 – 11/17 – P68, 69, 70

Week 3 – 11/20 – 11/24 – P71, 72, 73

Week 4 – 11/27-12/1 – P74, 75, 76

Our phonics classes will be unaffected by drama play rehearsals. The phonics book will cover the letters L, D, and C. The book not only improves the students' phonics skills but also helps develop their vocabulary. There is also the opportunity for the students to color, which most of them enjoy.

MPM Math

Week 1 – 11/6 – 11/10 – Prepare for drama play

Week 2 – 11/13 – 11/17 – Prepare for drama play

Week 3 – 11/20 – 11/24 – A3 - P17-18, A4 P1-4

Week 4 – 11/27-12/1 – A4 P5-8.

The first two weeks of November we will use the time we usually spend doing MPM, to prepare for the students' drama play. We will then finish book 3 and begin book 4. The topics include reciting numbers, counting objects, shapes, and colors.

Conversation

Week 1 – 11/6 – 11/10 – Prepare for drama play

Week 2 – 11/13 – 11/17 – Prepare for drama play

Week 3 – 11/20 – 11/24 – Unit 11

Week 4 – 11/27-12/1 – Unit 12

We will cover two units from the Up and Away book this month. The students seem to enjoy studying from these books. It helps the students to increase their vocabulary as well as helping them to use full sentences when they speak.

Song and Dance

We begin each day with song and dance class. It wakes the students up, and they certainly like it. As their time at Marshall progresses the songs will become more complicated.

Thematic Activities

The students thoroughly enjoy our Thematic Activities. They learn about a particular subject for a month, and then make crafts based around a particular subject. The topic for this month will be Thanksgiving.

If you have any concerns or queries, please do not hesitate to ask myself or Teacher Sandra.

Yours sincerely,
Teacher Dominic.