



## Elephant Class Newsletter November 2023

Dear parents,

This is the Elephant class monthly newsletter where you will find information on our upcoming schedule, classes, and material for these months. I hope you find the information useful and I look forward to any contributions that you may have.

### **Reading**

Our reading class has a new book each week for the students to enjoy. The books are full of fun and colorful pictures to keep the students engaged. Our plan for these months is to have the students continue to practice the routine of our reading class. We have the students sitting, finger on the book, following the words and repeating together after the teacher. Once the students are more familiar with this routine and process, we will start having the students reading one at a time as well as group reading.

November:

Week 1: Prepare for Drama Play

Week 2: Prepare for Drama Play

Week 3: Hot Dog

Week 4: Big Bear Small Bear

### **Core Material**

For core material class, the students are learning the foundation and necessities of English for the appropriate level through interesting stories and activities.

For the next month we will develop using common English language and prepare for the drama play.

November:

Week 1: Prepare for Drama Play

Week 2: Prepare for Drama Play

Week 3: Unit 2

Week 4: Unit 2

### **Math**

Our math class involves many different topics, covering a wide range of activities and developing hand dexterity. This can range from simple number recognition, to problem solving and patterns.

November:

Week 1: Prepare for Drama Play

Week 2: Prepare for Drama Play

Week 3: A3:P17-18 / A4:P01-04

Week 4: A4:P05-08

### **Conversation (Grammar)**

For our conversation class, the students are learning high frequency words with picture recognition of common animals and items through our book, Up and Away in English. We will also introduce some basic grammar and more. Any spare time will be spent practicing our conversation from words learnt in our reading, phonics and other classes.

November:

Week 1: Prepare for Drama Play

Week 2: Prepare for Drama Play

Week 3: Unit 11

Week 4: Unit 12

### **Phonics**

Phonics class has the students using the Sadler phonics books, which has many fun and colorful activities to engage the students and complete. This book will encompass many different aspects from vowels, syllables, picture recognition and eventually phonics sounds and uses.

November:

Week 1: P64-66

Week 2: P68-70

Week 3: P71-73

Week 4: P74-76

### **Gross/Fine Motor Skills**

The students will be learning a different variety of motor skills in this class, using their hand-eye coordination to complete tasks and solve problems.

These months have the students utilizing their fine motor skills with coloring a variety of pictures of many colors.

### **Thematic Activity**

Thematic class is a fun and exciting class that changes in theme and topic each month, generally following significant calendar events. The students will be making, coloring, gluing and constructing many different projects in the class and to take home to families. The theme for this month is Thanksgiving and we will explore the symbols around this event.

### **Song and Dance**

Song and Dance is the first class we do each day, beginning the day with high energy and lots of movement and fun. The students have a vast array of songs to learn through the curriculum as well as appropriate songs to be chosen by the teacher. This includes finding and practicing songs suitable for use in drama activities.

November:

Week 1: Drama Play Song

Week 2: Drama Play Song

Week 3: Rain, Rain Go Away

Week 4: This is the Way

### **Library/Storybook**

Once a week we will go to the library, where I will read to the students and let them choose a book each that we can take to the classroom and home. Any spare time is spent with story-time reading of a wonderful book and a little Q&A for comprehension.

I hope you enjoyed this month's newsletter and please do keep in touch with any questions, comments or concerns in the communication books.  
Thank you for reading!

Many thanks,  
Tr. Greg