



Unicorn Class Newsletter February/March 2024

Hello Parents!

Well, we're starting their last semester of kindergarten. The kids are really growing up and getting ready to go to elementary school, and we just have a few more months to have them prepared! We will enjoy our Lunar New Year holiday and then look forward to a busy semester. The themes for our February and March crafts will be Lunar New Year and Spring.

Reading

We'll have 3 Reading books in February and 4 in March. Our class reads quite well overall, and we will just continue to work on sounding out new words and reading with expression! The best way to learn to read is just to practice, practice, practice, and the best way to practice at home is to make sure they have access to books they enjoy and have fun with. Reading shouldn't be a chore!

Week	February	March
1	I Am Helpful	Barn Storm
2	I Am Helpful	Smarty Sara
3	I Am Helpful	Lucky goes to School
4	My Best Friend	The Pizza That We Made
5	Monster Truck	

Phonics

By now the students should have a good foundation in phonics, so our lessons will include quite a bit of review. English can be a little weird as its not entirely phonetic, so we'll have to keep an eye out for special cases and remember unintuitive sounds. We need more practice breaking bigger words into syllable chunks.

Week	February	March
1	P107-108	P118-121
2	P109-110	P123-125
3	Catch-up & Review	P126-129
4	P111-114	P130-133
5	P115-117	

Grammar (Grammar Space Book + Workbook)

Our students have made a lot of progress in their grammar work, but its not a skill that is easy to master for non-native speakers, even in an immersive environment. We'll continue to work on good sentence structure, subject-verb agreement, and learn some new tenses.

Week	February	March
1	P:06-07	P:18-21
2	P:08-09	P:22-25
3	Catch-up & Review	P:26-29
4	P:10-13	P:30-33
5	P:14-17	

Writing (Write Now!)

The writing book seemed quite difficult at the beginning of the year, and while it is still hard, I have seen a lot of improvement in their handwriting and ability to follow along in a book that's a little more dense. Their comprehension is good, but the proofreading activities can be little difficult. Sometimes I adjust an activity or give them writing templates to help with the things that are still a little beyond their ability.

Week	February	March
1	P:46-47	P:54-55
2	P:48-49	P:56-57
3	Catch-up & Review	P:58-59
4	P:50-51	P:60-61
5	P:52-53	

MPM Math

MPM this semester should start to get them ready for more of the math and reasoning they will learn in first grade. Overall, we'll see more of the same activities we've been doing, but with some extra steps or increased difficulty.

Week	February	March
1	F1: P01-04	F2: 01-06
2	F1: P05-08	F2: 07-12
3	Catch-up & Review	F2: 13-18
4	F1: P09-12	F3: P01-06
5	F1: P13-18	

Core Materials (Wonders Workshop + Anthology)

We'll begin the next two books of the Wonder's series. The theme this semester will be Changes over Time. The first two units will discuss what time things happen, and how things grow over time.

Week	February	March
1	Unit 3 Week 1 Workshop	Unit 3 Week 2 Workshop
2	Unit 3 Week 1 Workshop	Unit 3 Week 2 Workshop
3	Catch -up & Review	Unit 3 Week 2 Anthology
4	Unit 3 Week 1 Anthology	Unit 3 Week 2 Anthology
5	Unit 3 Week 1 Anthology	

Conclusion

We're already looking forward to our Lunar New Year holiday but have a busy semester ahead of us. We will keep our foot on the gas and have a seamless (middle of the week)

transition into the second semester. I'm sure to see some of you at our parent teacher meetings later in February, so until then, I hope you have a great Lunar New Year!
All the best,
Tr. Aaron



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哈囉!家長們好!

我們即將開始他們幼兒園的最後一學期。孩子們真的長大了，正在準備上小學學校，我們只剩下幾個月的時間準備了！我們將享受我們的農曆新年假期，然後前進忙碌的學期。我們二月的主題三月美勞將會是做農曆新年和春天。

Reading

我們閱讀書 2 月份有 3 本，3 月有 4 本書。整體上我們班讀得很好，我將繼續工作續大聲且有表情地閱讀讀出新單字！最好學習閱讀的方法就是練習、練習、再練習，在家練習的最佳方法是確保他們有獲得他們喜歡並從中獲得樂趣的書籍。讀書不應該是一件苦差事！進度如下：

星期	進度	
	二月	三月
1	I Am Helpful	Barn Storm
2	I Am Helpful	Smarty Sara
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Phonics

現在學生應該已經有了很好的自然拼讀基礎，所以我們的課程將包括相當多的複習。英語可以有點奇怪，因為它不完全是語音型態，所以我們持續注意特殊狀況並記住不直接發音的部分。我們需要更多練習將較大的單字分解為音節區塊。進度如下：

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	二月	三月
1	P107-108	P118-121
2	P109-110	P123-125
3	複習	P126-129
4	P111-114	P130-133
5	P115-117	

Grammar

我們的孩子們在文法練習上已有很大的進步，但對於非母語人士來說，即使在沉浸在環境中也不是一項容易掌握的技能。我們將繼續努力學習良好的句子結構，主謂一致，(主詞和 be 動詞一致)並學習一些新時態。進度如下：

星期	進度	
	二月	三月
1	P:06-07	P:8-21
2	P:08-09	P:2-25
3	複習	P:6-29
4	P:0-13	P:0-33
5	P:4-17	

Writing

這一年剛開始的時候寫作書感覺還是挺難的，雖然此時仍很難，但我看到了很多他們的筆跡的進步和閱讀這本書的能力更深入些。他們的理解力是好的，但是在校對練習上可能困難些。有時我會加入些活動或給他們寫作範本來幫助完成這些這仍然超出他們的能力範圍的部分。進度如下：

星期	進度	
	二月	三月
1	第 46-47 頁	第 54-55 頁
2	第 48-49 頁	第 56-57 頁
3	複習	第 58-59 頁
4	第 50-51 頁	第 60-61 頁
5	第 52-53 頁	

MPM

MPM 這個學期應該開始讓他們為更多的事情做好準備他們將在一年級學習的數學和推理。全面的，我們會看到更多與我們一直在重複曾做過的相同的練習，但會增加一些額外的步驟或增加困難度。

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4	F1:P09-12	F3:P01-06
5	F1:P13-18	

Core Material

我們將開始下兩本 Wonder's 系列的書。這這學期的主題是隨時間的變化。前兩個單位將討論事情發生的時間以及事情如何發展隨著時間的推移。進度如下：

星期	進度	
	二月	三月
1	單元 3Week1Workshop	單元 3Week2Workshop
2	單元 3Week1Workshop	單元 3Week2Workshop
3	複習	單元 3Week2Anthology
4	單元 3Week1Anthology	單元 3Week2Anthology
5	單元 3Week1Anthology	

這我們已經開始期待農曆新年假期了，但接下來的一個學期將會很忙碌。我們將加緊腳步上緊發條的迎接第二學期的新轉變（週中）過渡到第二學期。我肯定會在我們的家長會見到你們中的一些人二月晚些時候的親師座談會，所以在那之前，我希望你已經有個美好的農曆新年！祝您一切順利，

Tr。亞倫