



WEEKLY PARENT INFORMATION NEWSLETTER – Year 6

Week beginning Monday 10 February 2014

Messages

- Happy New Year. We hope you have a wonderful holiday, safe journeys and look forward to welcoming back all students.
- **Optional FOBISEA short story writing competition – closing date Friday 28 March.** The limit is 600 words and all entries must be typed. More details in our school newsletter and on our moodle page shortly. Posters are in classrooms.
- **Uniform Reminder:** It is expected that all students wear the formal BISS school uniform. In winter this includes a school sweater or cardigan, with fleeces available for PE and outside play. Boys should wear long school trousers and girls should wear school skirts with black or grey tights or long socks. Students should wear a dark coat and black shoes should be worn by all; boots are not permitted.
- Thursday 27 February - Year 6 residential trip parents information evening

Literacy

We will be looking at 'narrative'. This will include describing settings and atmosphere. The students will include suspense, inference and imagery in their writing. This will include powerful verbs, adjectives, similes and metaphors. The grammar focus of the week will investigate the rule not to use 'double negatives' in a sentence. The spelling rule of the week will be superlatives (adjectives ending 'est').

Maths

In our key skills lesson we will be to solve problems involving fractions, decimals and percentages. The main focus of the week will be to understand chance and probability. This will include exploring the likelihood and chance of events occurring. Students will also look at metric conversions of units (g/kg, ml/L, mm/cm/km). During problem solving students will investigate the role of chance and probability.

Themed Learning – Water

The students will be investigating the 'water cycle' and designing an experiment that shows the change of states in water on a micro scale and allows them the opportunity to use scientific vocabulary and to explain their understanding through prediction and discovery. Students will be creating a water based game using the coding computer program 'Scratch'.

Vocabulary

Literacy – simile, metaphor, suspense, inference, imagery, atmosphere

Maths – chance, probability, likelihood, fair, unfair, risk, biased, random

Themed Learning – evaporation, condensation, freezing, melting, precipitation



Dutch

Deze week zijn er nog enkele Cito-toetsen afgenomen. Ook is er intensief gewerkt aan de stelopdracht over de Olympische Spelen.

De Nieuwsbegrip tekst ging deze week over Carnaval en de nadruk lag op het zoeken van relaties in de tekst.

Een hele fijne vakantie gewenst!

Mandarin Y6 Panda

Topic: Fruit-Continued

Key Characters: 果 guo/fruit; 吃 chi/eat; 买 mai/to buy

Key Sentences: 我妈妈买了很多水果。Wo mama mai le henduo shuiguo. / My mom bought lots of fruit. 我们一起吃吧 Women yiqi chi ba/Let's eat together.

Activities: Peer Questioning.

Mandarin Y6 Monkey

Topic: My School-Continued

Key Characters: 在 zai/at, 校 xiao/school, 运动 yundong/sports, 网 wang/tennis.

Key Sentences: 有的 youde.....有的 youde..... /some..., some....

Activities: Survey of my school

Mandarin Y6 Horse

Topic: Happy Chinese New Year

Key Characters: 打 da/to clean up; 房间 fangjian1/room

Key Sentences: 越来越 yue lai yue/more and more...

Activities: Chinese New Year related activities will be carried out such as "Hongbao "making, poster designing.

Mandarin Y6 Tiger

Topic: Pandas-Continued

Key Characters: 熊猫 xiongmao/ 四肢 sizhi/ 像 xiang/ 国宝 guobao.

Key sentence pattern: 像 (xiang)..... looks like.....

Activities: Make a panda poster and give an oral presentation on your picture.

Mandarin Y6 Dragon

Topic: Chinese New Year Traditions

Key Characters: 可惜 kexi; 从 cong; 非 fei

Key sentence pattern: 从 cong.....开始 kaishi...../start from...; 要 yao.....了 le...../ be going to do

Activities: Booklet of Chinese New Traditions

Mandarin Y6 MNF

本周我们将学习课文《我躺在波浪上》，学习本课的汉字和词语。通过学习课文，了解死海的地理位置和“死海不死”的原因。

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