



WEEKLY PARENT INFORMATION NEWSLETTER – Year 3

Week beginning Monday 20 January 2014

Messages

- For our Art lessons during the next few weeks we will need lots of newspaper to use for papier mache. Could you please send in any unwanted newspaper?
- Lost Property. We have had lots of items of clothing going missing during the last 2 weeks. Please make sure that your child's clothing is clearly labelled with their name and class to help us return lost property to its owner..
- Please remember to send a healthy, nut free snack and water bottle in with your child every day.
- Please ensure that children bring a warm coat to school each day.
- **Chinese New Year Celebrations – Wednesday 29 January.** It will soon be the Year of the Horse and as part of our celebrations we are inviting all the children and staff to dress up for school on Wednesday 29 January. Pupils can come dressed in traditional Chinese costume, wear red or even link their outfit to the Year of the Horse! We look forward to celebrating this exciting time together

Literacy

This week in Literacy children will be using their planning work from last week to create their own story board of a fable. They will then write their fable in Big Writing, thinking carefully about converting speech bubbles into direct speech.

Maths

This week in Maths we will be working with multiples and using pairs of multiples to make 100. Children will need to apply their previous knowledge of number bonds to larger numbers to complete a variety of activities and questions.

Themed Learning

Africa

In Humanities this week we will be looking at the access Africa has to water and the dangers of using untreated or dirty water. This will link into rivers in Africa such as the Nile and again reinforce the understanding of why civilisations were established and settled near rivers as it is an access to a water supply.

This week we will consider what would happen if common objects were made from different materials. We will use our prior knowledge to help form our ideas and then try to suggest alternative materials to be used. The children will then try to convince the class why their choice is suitable.

This week in Art children will continue to use paper mache to build their African masks. They will be encouraged to continue to look at their design to ensure there are achieving the correct shape.

PSHCE

In PSHCE we are looking at goal setting. We will look at some inspiration quotes and talk about the steps we need to take to achieve our goals. We will be setting a class goal and our own personal goals.



Computing

In computing we are continuing to use Scratch to create animations. Children will learn to be set a challenge of creating their own rock band using sounds and motion in their animation.

Vocabulary

Literacy- Fable, characters, moral, trick, lesson, storyboard, planning, speech, bubble, direct.

Numeracy- multiple, multiple of, count on, total, equals, inverse

Themed Learning

Humanities – Africa, water access, rivers, Nile

Science – suitable, alternative, persuade, properties, best.

PSHCE – target, achieve, goal, work hard, practise, try, determination

Art – build, 3D, paper mache, masking tape, design, create, Africa.

Computing – Scratch, sprite, costume, palette, motion, sound, animation.

Dutch

De eerste helft van het schooljaar zit erop en de weken tot aan de vakantie staan in het teken van de Cito-toets. De leerlingen van year 3 t/m 6 zullen getoetst worden op de onderdelen begrijpend lezen, technisch lezen, spelling en woordenschat. De leerlingen van year 3 en 4 zullen ook de Cito-toets begrijpend luisteren maken. Voor de toetsen kan niet specifiek worden geoefend. De leerlingen hebben hard gewerkt en zijn er klaar voor.

Nieuwsbegrip gaat deze week over de Olympische Winterspelen in Sotsji.

Mandarin Y3 Panda

Topic: Fruits

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

Key Sentences: 你最喜欢吃什么水果 Ni zui xihuan chi shenme shuiguo? /What fruit do you like to eat the most?

Activities: Peer Questioning.

Mandarin Y3 Monkey

Topic: My School

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: Map of my school

Mandarin Y3 MNF

本周我们将继续学习课文《狐狸和乌鸦》，学习本课的汉字：底 洞 肉 直 羽 差 受 刚；学习本课的词语，积累《识字卡片》上划下的词语。完成看图写作。