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WEEKLY PARENT INFORMATION NEWSLETTER – Year 4

Week beginning Monday 9 December 2013

Messages

- **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.
- Please return or renew all library books before the holidays. Children may borrow books from the library over the holiday period this year. Lost or damaged books will be charged as per the library loans policy.
- Please remember to send a healthy snack and water bottle in with your child and clothing suitable for the weather.
- The Year 4 Christmas party will be held on the morning of Wednesday 11th December. Please remind children to wear their party clothes to school.

Literacy

This week, we will be reviewing the features of persuasive texts by writing a letter to Father Christmas, convincing him to bring us exciting and wonderful gifts.

Maths

Using the knowledge and skills they have acquired this term, the children will be solving Christmas based problems and then completing Christmas themed numeracy activities towards the end of the week.

Themed Learning

Civilisations

The children will complete their Mayan themed board game and test their Mayan knowledge by playing their games with their classmates.

Science

Children will complete their observations of worms in a self-contained habitat and make predictions based on observations and research. They will work collaboratively to pose questions about the preferences of worms. Children will learn that scientific investigation also includes research skills, accurate observations and note taking under controlled conditions.

Art

Children will enjoy a range of winter-themed activities which could include Christmas decorations and cards.

Vocabulary

Literacy – advert, persuade, magazine, turkey, advent, trailer, preference, endorsement, features, donkey.

Maths – problem solving, operator, fractions, skills, apply, logic, think, question, discuss.

Themed Learning – habitats, observation, wormery, magnification glass, investigation, experiment.

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Dutch

Het heerlijk avondje is gekomen en in alle schoenen zat op vrijdagmorgen een chocosintje. Het sinterklaasthema is hiermee afgerond en de kersttijd begonnen. De kinderen zullen deze week starten met het werken aan de doelen van thema 5 (groep 4+ thema 10). In groep 6 en 7 ligt de nadruk op de verleden en tegenwoordige tijd van het werkwoord en de spelling van zwakke werkwoorden in de tegenwoordige tijd. In groep 4 en 5 werken we aan het herkennen van werkwoorden in een zin en het onderscheiden van de zinsdelen. Ook zullen we starten met uitgebreide instructies over de open en gesloten klanken in meerlettergrepige woorden.

KS2 Mandarin - Book Panda/Monkey/Horse/Tiger/Dragon

Continue the Mid-term General Progress Assessment.

Mandarin Y2-Y6 MNF

本周我们将进行复习并开始本学期阶段测评。