



WEEKLY PARENT INFORMATION NEWSLETTER – Year 5

Week beginning Monday 7 April 2014

Messages

- Welcome back to Term 3, we will be launching our final homework project this week – ‘The Final Frontier’.

Literacy

We will start our new topic ‘Performance Poetry’ this week. We will watch lots of clips of famous poets performing their poems. We will also be identifying what makes a good performance, looking at gestures and voices. Students will be working towards writing a new verse of their own performance poem.

Maths

We will be investigating division related to working with fractions. Objectives include working with improper fractions and changing them to mixed numbers, recognizing equivalent fractions and identifying equivalent fractions and decimals. Some students may also convert fractions.

Themed Learning

The Final Frontier

We will begin our new Science topic of ‘Earth, Sun and Moon’ by introducing our first question – ‘What is the most amazing thing in our solar system?’ Students will have the opportunity to do some individual research on their own ideas as well as learning facts about the solar system and what orbits what.

Humanities

We will begin our final topic of ‘Natural Disasters’. Students will be able to identify which types of natural hazard can lead to disaster and explain how these affect people in the surrounding areas.

Vocabulary

Literacy – performance, poem, projection, vibe

Maths – fraction, equivalent, decimal, proper, improper

Themed Learning

Disaster, nature, natural, hazard

Dutch

De voorbije weken hebben we heel wat leeskilometers afgelegd in het kader van de jeugdboekenweek. Jullie kunnen de foto's van onze literaire activiteiten binnenkort op de Facebook-pagina bewonderen.



Na de vakantie oefenen we met year 3 en 4 op alfabetisch ordenen. We buigen ons ook over verschillende zinsstructuren.

Year 5 en 6 krijgen de regels van de werkwoordspelling verder onder de knie. Er zal eveneens heel wat taalbeschouwelijk werk verricht worden.

Maar eerst een welverdiende vakantie! Er wordt in de vakantie geen huiswerk meegegeven. Maarde kinderen mogen natuurlijk altijd een goed boek in hun reiskoffer stoppen! Vergeet de Estafette-map niet mee te brengen op maandag 7 april!

Mandarin Y5 Panda

Topic: My School Uniform-Continued

Key Characters: 衣 yi/clothes; 不 bu/not; 校 xiao/school

Key Sentences: 今天我穿了 Jintian wo chuan le.....。 /Today I wear ...;真漂亮 zhen piaoliang/...is really beautiful.

Activities: Design uniform for the school

Mandarin Y5 Monkey

Topic: I like sports

Key Characters: 会 hui/ be able to, 踢 ti/ kick (soccer), 足球 zu qiu / soccer.

Key Sentences: 你会什么运动 Ni hui shenme yundong? / What sports can you do?
(v) +得+ (adj) structure

Activities: Story-telling

Mandarin Y5 Horse

Topic: Lesson 11 - A letter

Key Characters: 写信 xiexin/letter, 说 shuo/speak, 文 wen/language

Key Sentences: 什么时候 shenme shihou.....? /when;以后 yihou/after;

Activities: Write a letter to your friend

Mandarin Y5 Tiger

Topic: I like Internet-Continued

Key Characters: 互联网 hu lian wang/internet, 帮助 bang zhu/help, 写信 xie xin /write a letter, 笔友 bi you/pen pal

Key sentence:跟.....一样/... as same as; 要是.....就...../if

Activities: Make a poster to share what your family members like to do on the internet

Mandarin Y5 MNF

本周我们将学习课文《神秘的小岛》，学习课文中的汉字和词语，联系上下理解词语的含义；了解课文的内容，能根据相关的提示复述小岛形成的过程和原因，积累相关四字词语，完成练习册上的内容。