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WEEKLY PARENT INFORMATION NEWSLETTER – Year 3

Week beginning Monday 6 January 2014

Messages

- We hope you had a merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!
- Please remember to send a healthy snack and water bottle in with your child every day.
- Please ensure that children bring a warm coat to school each day.

Literacy

In Literacy this week we will be starting a new unit of work on myths, legends, fables and traditional tales. We will share examples of each of these during the week and discuss and identify their features.

Maths

In Maths this week the children will be learning how to round numbers less than 100 to the nearest 10. They will also order numbers up to at least 1000 and say a number lying between two 3-digit numbers.

Themed Learning

Africa

In Humanities this week we will be starting our new topic on Africa. We will name the continents and place them on a map before looking specifically at Africa.

In Science this week we will be starting our new unit of work on Materials. We will commence by sorting materials and discussing their properties before moving onto identifying various natural and man-made materials.

In Art this week we will be looking at African masks. We will discuss materials used to make masks and share possible designs before planning and starting to make our own.

PSHCE

To start off the new year we will be making some New Years' Resolutions in PSHCE this week to give us some goals to aim for during the next term.

Computing

In Computing this week we will continue with Scratch. We will learn how to use co-ordinates to direct the character (Sprite).

Vocabulary

Literacy- myths, legends, fables, tale, stories, features.

Numeracy- round, thousands, hundreds, tens, unit, digit.

Themed Learning

Humanities – Africa, Continent, Country

Science – materials, natural, man-made transparent, opaque, flexible, absorbent, rigid, waterproof.

PSHCE – goal, target, aim, resolution.

Art – mask, pattern, wood, design, papier mache.

Computing – sprite, co-ordinates, grid

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Dutch

Vol geode moed starten we aan Term 2. We zullen ons deze week richten op het afronden van thema 5 en de voorbereiding op de Cito-toetsen die in week 3 en 4 zullen plaatsvinden. Alle spellingcategorieën die de leerlingen tot nu toe behandeld hebben worden herhaald, met extra aandacht voor de open en gesloten lettergrepen, woorden die eindigen op -d, -ig en beginnen met be-, ver-, ge-. Ook herhalen we de tweetekensklanken ou/au en ei/ij. Bij begrijpend lezen herhalen we de verschillende leesstrategieën en woordleerstrategieën.

Mandarin Y3 Panda

Topic: Boys and Girls

Key Characters: 男 nan/male; 女 nv/female; 和 he/and; 是 shi/be (am; is; are)

Key Sentences:是男孩 shi nanhai/....is a boy;是女孩 shi nanhai/....is a girl;和 he.....是好朋友 shi hao pengyou/ ...and ... are good friends.

Activities: Making up their own sentences according to the sentence pattern.

Mandarin Y3 Monkey

Topic: Christmas is coming-Continued

Key Characters: 圣诞 shengdan/christmas; 卡 ka/card; 树 shu/tree; 火鸡 huoji/turkey; 快乐 kuaile/happy

Key sentence pattern:到了 daole/ ...is coming;的时候 de shihou/ When...; 送给 songgei/ give sth. to sb. as a gift

Activities: Make a Christmas card

Mandarin Y3 MNF

本周我们将学习课文《你姓什么?》和《数量词》，能借助拼音读通课文，了解儿歌的意思。