



WEEKLY PARENT INFORMATION NEWSLETTER – Year 5

Week beginning Monday 13 April 2015

Messages

- **Change of date:** The Question and Answer session for our residential trip will now take place on Monday 27 April from 3:45. Apologies for any inconvenience.
- ECAs start on Monday 13 April, however, **Computing Club (Monday), Magic Club (Monday), Football (Thursday) and Rugby (Friday) will the start the week commencing 20 April.**
- Now the weather is getting warmer, please could you encourage your child to bring in a hat and also a water bottle so that they remain well hydrated during the day.

Literacy

In Literacy we will continue our unit on persuasive texts and look at the use of strong emotive words, puns, alliteration, comparatives, alliteration, repetition, exaggeration and rhymes when creating adverts. In small groups students will also be asked to create a persuasive presentation giving reasons why they should be selected to be part of the first manned mission to the planet Mars. The aim will be to persuade their audience that their group has the best qualities and skills to make the historic journey. Our grammar focus will be on proof reading skills and being able to use Standard English.

Maths

This week we will be investigating 3d shapes. We will be creating cuboids and estimating their volume before accurately measuring the sides and calculating the accurate volume using appropriate units. We will then round off the measurement of the sides, re-calculate the volumes and discuss the relative differences. When we are confident multiplying and measuring we will apply our skills to factorising the volumes to find side lengths and systematically problem-solve volume questions.

Themed Learning

'Space'

We have made a great start to our new topic of 'Space'. This week, we will be investigating stars and constellations and changes in the night sky. Students will also be learning about lenses and light refraction, culminating in making their own telescopes. Students will also have an opportunity to undertake some 'astronaut training' as part of our entry point.

PSHCE

In PSHCE this term we will be looking at teamwork and collaborative working. We will focus further on fostering new relationships, creating rules and expectations for the group and how to work together successfully.



Vocabulary

Literacy – explain, explanation, meaning, difference

Maths – design, analyse, build

Humanities – collaboration, team work, preparation

Dutch

De leerlingen van KS2 zijn hard aan het werk aan het maken van een tentoonstelling voor het **Buurman&Buurman Muurseum**. Binnenkort kunt u een uitnodiging verwachten voor de officiële opening.

Naast het Muurseum werken we aan de open en gesloten lettergrepen met spelling en de be-/ge-/ver-categorie. In groep 6 beginnen we met de spelling van de tegenwoordige tijd van werkwoorden en in groep 7/8 verdiepen we ons in de verleden tijd van zowel zwakke als sterke werkwoorden.

Mandarin

Mandarin Y5 Panda

Topic: My School Uniform

Key words: 校服 xiaofu/school uniform; 裤子 kuzi/trousers; 漂亮 piaoliang/pretty; 袜子 wazi/socks; 穿 chuan/wear; 鞋子 xiezi/shoes; T 恤衫 T xushan/T-shirt; 裙子 qunzi/skirt; 毛衣 maoyi/sweater

Key sentence patterns: 1.今天我穿了..... jintian wo chuan le 2.这是我们的校服..... zheshi women de xiaofu

Activities: School Uniform Designing

Mandarin Y5 Monkey

Topic: Work-Continued

Key words: 工作 gongzuo/job; 虽然 suiran/although; 但是 danshi/but; 危险 weixian/danger; 帮助 bangzhu/help

Key sentence patterns: 虽然 suiran.....但是 danshi..... /although.....; 我想做..... wo xiang zuo .../I would like to be ...

Activities: Write your own passage according to the sample given

Mandarin Y5 Horse

Topic: Lesson 11 A letter-Continued

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

Key Sentences: 什么时候 shen me shi hou.....? /when;以后 yi hou/after;

Activities: Write a letter to your friend

Mandarin Y5 Tiger

Topic: Watch TV News-Continued

Key Characters: 地球 diqiu /earth, 新闻 xinwen /news, 国际 guoji /international,

Key sentences: 你有没有 ni you meiyou.....? /Did you...? ; 越来越 yue lai yue...../more and more...

Activities: A Role Play



Mandarin Y5 MNDCN

两周拓展阅读项目《大闹天宫》之第一周，观看《大闹天宫》动画片，阅读相关《西游记》篇目并补充介绍西游记相关知识。

Year 5/6 Spanish - Ms Ormond

Students will practise conjugating and identifying high frequency verbs: to be, to have, etc Homework: Leccion 5 - Pagina 9 and 10

Year 5 French - Mrs Rae

Next week, we will start our topic on film, focusing on 'Ratatouille.' We will be thinking about characters and describing them using adjectives.

Homework this week is to revise descriptions of people on www.linguascope.com. This will help us with next week's learning!

Year 5 French - Mme McConnon

Students will continue to explore language based on the film 'Ratatouille'. We will be thinking about characters and describing them using adjectives.

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