

WEEKLY PARENT INFORMATION NEWSLETTER - Year 3

Week beginning Monday 10 November 2014

Messages

- Reminder that the Year 3 trip to Pines will be taking place on Tuesday 11 November. Please can you ensure that your child comes in wearing their school uniform, along with a sensible pair of walking shoes and a coat. Many thanks for help and support with this trip.
- Please note that Friday 14 November is a staff INSET day, so there will be no school.
- Tuesday November 11 is Remembrance Day. All students will be singing in the playground before school 'A Song for Peace.' Please join us in remembering those who have lost their lives in times of war. Poppies are on sale at reception. Please donate 10 RMB in exchange for a poppy.
- This week Year 3 will be doing an experiment in Science focusing on how well we brush our teeth. For this experiment every child will be required to bring in a toothbrush and toothpaste in order to take part. We will be using disclosing tablets for this experiment. These are small tablets which are used by dentists which contain a mild dye to highlight areas of plaque and are perfectly safe for use in school. Please make sure your child brings their toothbrush and toothpaste to school every day next week.
- Second Hand Uniform Sale: After the success of our inaugural BISS Puxi 2nd Hand Uniform Sale we have scheduled our next event for Tuesday 2 December. Hopefully you were able to take the opportunity to recycle some school clothing for your child and we warmly appreciate your support. We would like to remind you that we welcome your on-going support to donate clothes that could possibly be sold at the next event please bring any uniform items to be sold into the Parents Hub in Primary and you will receive further information about location and times closer to the event. Many thanks for your support!

Literacy

This week we will be starting a brand new genre of writing – myths. We will be focusing on the Greek Myth 'Theseus and the Minotaur'. During our first week we will be exploring the main features of myths, through the use of pictures, and then concentrating on the main events of this myth. The children will use drama to recreate scenes and then plot Theseus' quest on a storyboard.

Maths

In Maths the children will be learning all about money. We will start the week by looking at the currency in China and what each coin or note is worth. This is part of our build up towards our exciting trip to 'Pines', where we will price up the cost of our own fruit smoothie. The children will continue over the rest of the week adding and subtracting amounts of money to give change, using both £ and p in practical contexts, as well as using coins to recap on the principles of multiplication and division.

Themed Learning

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'Footprints from the Past'

This week the children will be focusing on Science. They will be exploring and investigating teeth. Firstly, they will make observations and comparisons between different types of teeth and find out what role they play when eating. We will then create diagrams that show the structure of a tooth and finish our week by learning how to make sure we brush our teeth properly!

PHSCE

In PHSCE this week the children will be describing and identifying emotions; the reasons why people feel like this inside and how these feelings can change over time. This will be explored through the characters in our myth "Theseus and the Minotaur".

Vocabulary

Literacy —legend, myth, features, fiction, villain, hero, quest, journey, challenge

Maths— money, currency, yuan, pound, pence, decimal place, add, subtract, change

Themed Learning— tooth, teeth, jaw, upper, lower, canine, molar, incisors, plaque, baby teeth, adult teeth

PSHCE - respect, equality, community, diverse, similar, different

Dutch

Ons Tosca Mentenproject nadert het einde. De leerlingen zullen zich gaan richten op de finaleopdracht: hoe krijgen we Tosca op SDS?

Nieuwsbegrip ging over drones. Het nieuwe onderwerp wordt pas op dinsdag bekendgemaakt.

Year 3 en 4 oefenen de -sch-, -schr-, -cht-, letterzetter en letterdief.

Year 5 oefent de -cht-, -c- als /k/ en -c- als /s/ en de stomme -e-. Ook werken we aan de basis van redekundig ontleden: pv, zinsdelen, onderwerp.

Year 6 oefent de spelling van zwakke werkwoorden inde verleden tijd. Daarnaast trainen wehet veranderen van zinnen in de onvoltooide naar de voltooide tijd en het gebruik van het voltooid deelwoord als bijvoeglijk naamwoord (de steen is *betoverd*, de *betoverde* steen).

Topic: Which country do you come from?-Continued

Key Characters: 会 hui/can; 多 duo/many; 中文 zhong wen/Chinese; Mandarin Key Sentences: 你会说中文吗? ni hui shuo zhong wen ma? /Can you speak Mandarin? ; 我会写很多汉字。Wo hui xie hen duo han zi/I can write many Chinese characters. Activities: Online learning activities

Mandarin Y₃ Monkey

Topic: Season and Weather-Continued

Key Characters: 喜欢 xihuan/like; 季节 jijie/season; 冷 leng/cold; 热 re/hot Key sentence pattern: 你知道 Ni zhidao······? / Do you know...? 因为 Yinwei....../ Because...

Activities: A poster

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