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WEEKLY PARENT INFORMATION NEWSLETTER – Year 5

Week beginning Monday 4 May 2015

Messages

- We are excited to be hosting a Book Fair on the ground floor of the Primary school from Thursday 7 May to Saturday 9 May. Blue Fountain Books will be selling a large variety of books for children from Early Years through to KS4. They are bringing a selection of books for parents too! To help your child make suitable choices we will open the fair up during scheduled times during the school day for parents to choose books with their children. Letters will come home on Monday with more details of schedules. **Thursday and Friday 8:00-10:30am and 3:30 4:30pm; Saturday 8-12pm**
- Our trip to Nanbeihu will be Wednesday 10 Friday 12 June 2015. Please could any remaining consent forms and passport/visa copies be returned by Monday 4 May 2015.
- 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 this week we will be we will begin investigating the exciting genre of Science Fiction. We will begin our journey into the world of the weird and wonderful by using the seminal book 'Tuesday' to explore strange goings on in a small American town when frogs are taking to the air on giant lily pads... This will lead into some reporting and investigating as the students take on the role of the local police force to investigate the matter. This will result in some writing that will solve the riddle, presenting the findings in a clear, chronological report full of evidence and theories.

Maths

In Maths this week, we will be starting a 2 week examination of angles beginning with remembering how to accurately measure angles and to sort them into acute, obtuse and circumflex angles. Then, using our knowledge of the number of degrees around a point and on a straight line, we will start to calculate missing angles. Students will also get the opportunity to create some interesting shapes using the different types of angles studied.

Themed Learning

'Space'

Our Themed Learning this week will be art-focussed, bringing together our work from music week and combining it with our study of 'Space'. Using Holst's 'Mars The bringer of War' as inspiration, the children will be sketching and experimenting with a range media to create texture and shape before creating a mixed media final piece.

PSHCE

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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

Na het grote succes van het Buurman en Buurman Muurseum is het nu tijd voor een wat spannender thema. KS2 zal zich vanaf maandag gaan verdiepen in 'Freek in het Wild'. Zijnonze leerlingen net zulke helden? Hoe ziet hun avontuurlijkste survival eruit? Welke tips and trucs willen ze met ons delen in hun Survival Encyclopedie? We zullen nog even geduld moeten hebben.

Tegelijkertijd werken we aan een intensieve cursus spelling en grammatica. Begrijpend lezen blijven we trainen met Nieuwsbegrip. Het onderdeel woordenschat zit verweven in ons thema. De Cito-toetsen staan gepland voor juni en we doen er uiteraard alles aan om het huidige niveau van de leerlingen te behouden of in een enkel geval te verbeteren.

Mandarin Y5 Panda

Topic: My School Bag-Continued Key Characters: 书 shu/book; 包 bao/bag; 里 li/inside; 作业本 zuo ye ben/exercise book

Key Sentences: 这是什么 zheshi shenme? / What is this?

书包里有什么 shubao li you shenme? / What is in the schoolbag?

你带......吗? ni dai......? Have you brought.....?

Activities: Peer Conversation

Mandarin Y5 Monkey

Topic: I like sports-Continued 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: They are sick-Continued Key Characters: 病 bing/sick,疼 teng/pain, 西药 xiyao/western medicine Key Sentences:极了 ji le/extremely;从来没 cong lai mei......过 guo /have never done; 要是 yao shi......就 jiu / if Activities: Role play

Mandarin Y5 Tiger

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Topic: Riddles

Key Characters: 传 chuan / pass, 粉 fen / pollen, 采 cai / gather, 蜜 mi / honey Key words: 眼睛 yanjing/eye; 耳朵 erduo/ear; 说话 shuohua/talk; 一边 yibian/one side; 飞来飞去 feilaifeiqu /fly around Activities: Making your own riddles

Mandarin Y5 MNDCN

《西游记》连环画阅读并写作读后笔记,作文《西游记中我最喜欢的人物》。

Year 5/6 Spanish - Ms Ormond

Next week the students will continue their review of the verbs estar and ser and in what context they should use them, as well as, share the five new vocabulary words they learned from last lesson. On Friday, the students will participate in a small Spanish themed farewell party for one of their classmates. Have a wonderful holiday!

Year 5 French - Mrs Rae

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