



WEEKLY PARENT INFORMATION NEWSLETTER – Year 3

Week beginning Monday 17 March 2014

Messages

- Year 3 & 4 Art Exhibition. Each child in Years 3 and 4 has chosen the piece of art work that they are most proud of this term. The exhibition will take place this week in the ground floor of the Primary building. You are invited to come and view all the artwork between 8.00 and 8.30 any morning during this week. Alternatively, why not take a look after visiting the Year 3 project showcase. We hope you enjoy the exhibition!
- The Year 3 Africa Project Showcase will be held on Thursday 20 March at 10am. This will be an opportunity to share with parents the children's hard work on their Africa project. We look forward to seeing you then!
- World Water Day
Friday 21 March – World Water Day is approaching. We will be celebrating the vital resource of 'water' on Friday through lessons and activities designed to inspire and inform about many different aspect of water. We hope to raise money for Water Aid (<http://www.wateraid.org/>) as we did last year through pupils designing and painting (on their own faces, hands, arms etc) water inspired images. Unfortunately, face paints will not be available at school but this can still be done at home. Alternatively pupils can create water inspired badges to wear on their school uniform during the day. Hopefully all children can donate 10rmb to our cause.
- Term 3 Primary ECA Programme (KS1 & KS2)
Our Term 3 Primary ECA programme will begin on Monday 14 April and run till Friday 13 June. Registration forms will be given out to pupils on Tuesday 18 March, please return the forms by Friday 21 March to the main reception desk or your child's class teacher. Our KS1 and KS2 ECA programmes can be viewed on our school website from Tuesday 18 March.
- Term 3 Primary BISCAP Programme (Reception, KS1 & KS2)
Term 3 Primary BISCAP Programme will start from Monday 14 April and ends on Sunday 22 June. Registration forms will be given out to pupils on Tuesday 18 March, please fill in the BISCAP registration form and return back to Ms Jel Yang (Primary Room 216) by Friday 28 March. All the programmes information can be viewed on our school website on Tuesday 18 March.

Literacy

In Literacy this week we will be writing our own play scripts. We will put into practice all the skills we have been learning during the unit and re-writing a well-known story as a play.

Maths

This week in Maths we will be moving on to data handling. The children will learn to organise data into frequency tables and bar charts. They will also develop their interpretation skills through answering questions about given data.



Themed Learning

This week, we will be continuing our topic of magnets and springs by investigating the strength of magnets. We will consider the best way of answering the question: *Are all magnets the same strength?* and plan and carry out an investigation.

This week in Humanities we will use the laptops to learn about the process of mummification and the reasons behind it. We will also research what the Egyptians believed in with regards to life after death.

In Art this week Year 3 will be visiting the Year 3 & 4 Art Exhibition. The children will take time to reflect on one another's work and discuss which pieces of work they were really impressed by.

PSHCE

In PSHCE we continue our unit on internet safety. This week we will be looking at the different forms of modern technology and how it can be used to communicate. We will also focus on the risks of using different forms of technology.

Computing

This week in computing we will continue to look at the topic of email. We will familiarise ourselves with the icons and the different features of the email software as well as looking at the different functions and their purposes. We will then practise forwarding emails containing specific information onto a new recipient.

Vocabulary

Literacy- scene, script, play, layout, stage directions, character list.

Numeracy- data handling, organize, interpret, bar chart, frequency table.

Themed Learning

Science- strength, investigate, test, record, conclude.

Humanities- mummification, process, preserve.

Art- exhibition, reflect, opinion.

PSHCE- communication, technology, website, navigation, online, risk.

Computing – email, icon, forward, recipient.

Dutch

De focus zal de komende week liggen op het herhalen en oefenen van technishce vaardigheden, zoals de spellingcategorieën en grammatica. De leerlingen herhalen de regels van de letterdief, letterzetter, poortwachter en 2-tekenklanken (de vier klinkermoeilijkheden) en letten daarbij op andere categorieën zoals de /c/ die klinkt als /s/ of als /k/, woorden eindigend op -d, woorden eindigend op -tie en -ctie, woorden die beginnen met ge-/be-/ver- en woorden die eindigen op -heid/-teit. In groep 6 en groep 7 wordt daarnaast hard gewerkt aan het de tegenwoordige tijd en de verleden tijd van zwakke (klankvaste) en sterke (klankveranderende) werkwoorden. Ook



richten we onze aandacht op het veranderen van zinnen in enkelvoud en meervoud en analyseren we daaraan gekoppelde congruentiefouten.

Mandarin Y3 Panda

Topic: My School Uniform

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 Y3 Monkey

Topic: Jobs

Key Characters: 工 gong/to work, 长 zhang/grow (up), 心 xin/heart, 忙 mang/busy, 做 zuo/to do (a job), 以 yi/ (in "ke yi" as "can")

Key Sentences: 虽然 suiran.....但是 danshi...../although... (but)...

Activities: A poster of "Jobs"

Mandarin Y3 MNF

本周我们将学习课文《两只小狮子》，学习课文中的汉字：练、刻、苦、另、功、慢、应、该，能区别：刻、该。通过学习知道课文大致的含义。