



WEEKLY PARENT INFORMATION NEWSLETTER – Year 3

Week beginning Monday 02 March 2015

Messages

- The FOBISIA maths challenge will be held at BISS Puxi on 5 and 6 March. All the children in Key Stage 1, 2 and 3 will be competing in their own maths challenge against all the other children in FOBISIA. Until 7 March, your child will be able to improve their maths knowledge, and practise for this challenge. All students have been given their log-in details for the Athletics website, but please ask if they need a reminder.
- Over the next few weeks in Art we will be learning about African textiles and printing. **If children wish to, they can bring into school an old item of clothing or a tea towel to tie dye on Monday 2nd March.** Please choose a plain white/light coloured item. Thank you for your support with this.
- Charity Clothes Donation for River of Hearts - The time of year has come again, with the change of seasons, to search through your wardrobes and identify any unwanted or unworn clothes for donation to River of Hearts. Clothes collection will commence on 16th March 2015 for the entire week and you can bring any donated clothes to the primary Reception. All clothes should be clean and in reasonable condition and bags or boxes labeled River of Hearts.
- 2nd Hand Uniform Sale - On Tuesday 17 March we will be holding another 2nd hand uniform sale here at BISS Puxi run by our Second Hand Uniform Team. This term the sale will take place outside the EYFS area so please donate any unwanted, unused or unworn school uniform items from now until the event on 17 March. These items can be dropped off to the Primary Reception during the weeks running up to the sale. All clothes should be clean and in reasonable condition and bags or boxes labeled Uniform Sale.

Literacy

This week the children will be continuing to work on their speaking and listening skills. They will use their weather reports written last week to give well-structured descriptions and explanations of the weather. They will be challenged to speak audibly and fluently, and gain, maintain and monitor the interest of the listener. These will be recorded on video.

Maths

In Maths the children will be revisiting number. They will be challenged to use their knowledge of number facts, place value, and more complex addition and subtraction to solve problems, including missing number problems.

Themed Learning

‘Different Places, Similar Lives’

The children will be continuing to focus on Art, with this week’s focus being textiles from Ghana in Africa. They will look at symbols used on Adinkra cloth and then



experiment with creating printing blocks use press print or lino and cutting tools. After learning to dye material, they will use these blocks to create repeating patterns on their fabric. Finally the children will learn to use tie-dyeing techniques to dye material.

PHSCE

During their work on the textiles the children will be thinking about the lives of people living in other places and times and their national identity.

Vocabulary

Literacy – present, audible, clear, eye contact, expression, intonation

Maths– number facts, number bonds, add, subtract, problem, solution, key information

Themed Learning – fabric, symbol, dye, print, press, relief, impressed, resist, pattern

PSHCE – national, identity, compare, contrast

Dutch

We werken tijdens de lessen verder aan de taalthema's van Staal.

Year 3 werkt aan het thema: Kleding

Year 4 werkt aan het thema: Draaien

Year 5 werkt aan het thema: Pronkstuk

Year 6 werkt aan het thema: Flits

De thema's van Staal worden uiteindelijk gelinkt aan het thema van de MFL-lessen: Buurman & Buurman.

Tijdens de MFL-lessen werken we met alle leerjaren aan het thema Buurman&Buurman. Leerlingen verdiepen zich in oorzaak – gevolg relaties, verschillende bouwmaterialen en –gereedschappen komen aan bod en de verschillende klusdisciplines passeren de revue (stukadoor, elektriciën, loodgieter, metselaar, timmerman, etc.).

Mandarin Y3 Panda

Topic: Fruit-Continued

Key Characters: 果 guo/fruit; 吃 chi/eat; 买 mai/to buy

Key Sentences: 我妈妈买了很多水果 Wo mama mai le henduo shuiguo。 / My mom bought lots of fruits. 我们一起吃吧 Women yiqi chi ba/Let's eat together.

Activities: Making a story book

Mandarin Y3 Monkey

Topic: I go to school by school bus

Key Characters: 走 zou/ walk; 坐 zuo/ sit in; 开 kai/ drive (a plane); 车 che/ vehicle; 路 lu/ road.

Key Sentences: 我 wo.....上学 shangxue。 / I go to school by...; 先 xian.....然后 ranhou.....

Activities: A Survey

Mandarin Y3 MNDCN

本周我们将学习课文《两只小狮子》，能借助拼音流利地朗读课文，了解课文的意思。学习课文中的汉字和词语，积累好词、好句、好段。



Year 3 / 4 Spanish – Ms Leigh

This week year 3 recapped numbers and time. The children played games of number bingo and worked in pairs to ask and tell the time using known and newly learnt vocabulary.

Year 3 / 4 Spanish – Ms Sutton

We have started a new topic on the weather. Pupils learnt new vocabulary to describe the weather in the present tense. They began to write their own weather forecast. Homework was to complete the map, reading the weather descriptions and drawing the corresponding symbol.

Year 3 / 4 French – Mrs Rae

In French we started a unit called 'Encore.' We recapped on key vocabulary learnt so far this year and revised the alphabet. Homework: Complete worksheet- which words begin with different letters of the alphabet.