



WEEKLY PARENT INFORMATION NEWSLETTER – Year 1

Week beginning Monday 3 November 2014

Messages

- Parent-Teacher Conferences – Term 1 PTC's are this week- Tuesday 4 and Thursday 6 November. Information and appointment slips have been sent home.
- Book Week: The theme this year is 'Stories from the Last 10 Years'. On Friday 7 November there will be a whole school dress up day where children are invited to come as a book character from the last 10 years. The Gallery will become 'Story Land' so feel free to come and enjoy a story before or after school. Parents are also invited to be a 'Mystery Reader' during this week. If you are interested please let your class teacher know.
Please could parents send in an old, empty shoe box for children to make dioramas of the setting from our chosen book 'Bear Hunt' by Anthony Browne. Students are also invited to bring in a book from home that they enjoy reading. Throughout the week, they will be given the opportunity to share their book with the rest of the class.
- 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!
- The Giving Tree - an opportunity for our community to give a little at Christmas by volunteering gift bags for migrant school children and their teachers. Please return reply slips ASAP if you wish to join our initiative. Ask teachers for more details.

Literacy

This week is Book Week, where we will be celebrating the 10 Year Anniversary at BISS Puxi. This week the children will focus on the book 'Bear Hunt' by Anthony Browne. This will build up to a piece of writing at the end of the week, the children will carry out a series of creative, art-based tasks as well as some speaking and listening activities which involve re-telling the story as part of a group.

Phonics

Each group will be covering the following sounds this week:

Stingray- students will revise all phase 2 sounds covered so far this term:

s, a, t, p, i, n, m, d, o, g, c, k, ck, e, u, r

Jellyfish- oa (goat/boat) and ar (car/hard)

Octopus- students will learn to read and write sentences using set 1 to 6 letters and will also use the words no, go, the, and, to, I.

Shark- students will revise all phase 2 and 3 sounds

Puffer Fish- alternative spelling of 'igh' sound (y, ie, i_e)

Maths

In Maths, we will be learning all about money. Students will learn what the British coins and notes look like and their values. Throughout the week, children will count different amounts of



money, play games involving money, as well as solve some real-life problems. By the end of the week, some children may be able to find change when paying with different amounts of money.

Themed Learning – Book Week

This week, we will take a break from our ‘Who am I?’ topic and focus on Book Week. Over the course of the week, students will enjoy a range of exciting and creative opportunities which include:

- Big write activity
- Buddy reading with another class across the Primary School
- A visit to storyland
- Book character collages
- Decorating the classroom door like a scene from an Anthony Browne book
- Sharing their favourite book from home with the rest of the class

And much, much more!

This week in Computing Science, students will learn how to use the computer to draw an image of their favourite Anthony Browne book character. Using either ‘Paint’ or ‘zcreateastory’ programmes, they will draw and label their character, learning about how to change the effects from paint, to pencil and other artistic techniques.

PSHCE- Conflict/Resolution

Over the next few weeks, students will work with their class teachers learning about conflict, the reason why conflict occurs and how to resolve it. In Circle Time, students will be given the opportunity to discuss any current difficulties they are experiencing on the playground and in school. Children will be encouraged to consider the factors which lead to conflict arising and how to achieve a successful resolution.

Vocabulary

Literacy – recount, past tense, adjective, re-tell, character, setting

Maths – money, coin, note, pounds, pence, change

Themed Learning

Book Week- title, author, front cover, contents page, blurb, illustration, fact, fiction, non-fiction

Art – front cover, design, colour, eye-catching

Computer Science- log on, log off, icon, paint, draw, label

PSHCE- conflict, problem, argument, resolution, solve, team work, understanding, sharing

Dutch

Spuit Elf, Grote heldendaden van een kleine brandweerolifant zal de komende weken centraal staan. Het boek is geschreven door Harmen van Straaten en zal aanleiding geven tot allerlei taalactiviteiten. Deze week stond de klankzuivere uitspraak van de /uu/ /eu/ /ui/ en /ij/ centraal. Daarnaast moesten de leerlingen allerlei fragmenten precies nazeggen. Deze oefening stimuleert het kritisch luisteren. We hebben zinnen geschreven met veel lange klanken er in.

Mandarin Y1MNDC1/2

Review the topics we have covered so far through some interactive activities.

Mandarin Y1MNDC3

Topic: Stationery

Core Vocabulary: 尺 chi/ruler; 笔 bi/pencil; 本子 benzi/exercise book; 橡皮 xiangpi/eraser; 书包 shubao/school bag; 书 shu/book



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Core Sentence: 这是什么 zheshi shenme? /What is it? 这是 zhe shi...../This is

Extented learning: 书包里有 shubao li you.....。 /There is/are...in my school bag.

Activities: Song 'Pencil'

Mandarin Y1 MNDCN

本周我们学习双韵母 ai、ei、ui、ao、ou、iu 和音节的拼读，同时我们还将介绍汉字：妹、六、九、手、爱、头、口、要，能用这些汉字口头组词。