

WEEKLY PARENT INFORMATION NEWSLETTER - Year 1

Week beginning Monday 8 December 2014

Messages

- The Year 1 Christmas party will take place on Wednesday 10 December from 1.30-3.30pm. Children should come to school dressed in their party clothes on this day.
- Snacks- a gentle reminder that all snacks should be nut free. Please could parents ensure that children are making healthy choices when bringing in snacks to school? Fruit, sandwiches, crackers and chopped raw vegetables are all excellent snacks for break times.
- Now the weather is much colder, please can you ensure that your child brings in a warm coat, scarf, and hat and gloves to keep them warm when out on the playground. It is important that all coats and jumpers are clearly labelled to ensure any misplaced items are returned to their rightful owners. Many thanks for your support with this.

Literacy

This week, students will be completing the unit of work based on 'The Jolly Christmas Postman' written by Janet and Alan Ahlberg. Throughout the week, children will be writing letters to Santa, making Christmas wish lists as well as enjoying some role play time in Santa's Grotto.

Phonics

We will not set for Phonics this week, but instead will work on phonic strategies as part of our daily Literacy lesson. All students will be using a range of phonic strategies to support their reading and writing during day-to-day activities.

Maths

In Maths, we will be reviewing some of the concepts we have covered this term. In particular, children will continue to work on their number bonds to 10 and 20, one more and one less strategies as well as the names and properties of 2D and 3D shapes. The students will also be counting in jumps of 1, 2, 5 and 10 to develop their understanding of their times tables.

Themed Learning - Christmas Activities

This week, students will enjoy a range of art-based Christmas activities in class such as making Christmas cards, decorations, baking Christmas treats as well as singing Christmas songs and reading Christmas stories and poems.

This week in Computing Science, students will use the computer to generate images using the programme Paint. Students will create images based on the book 'The Jolly Christmas Postman' and add labels to their work.

PSHCE- Christmas Wishes

Looking forward to Christmas, students will be asked to reflect on the past year. They will answer questions such as: 'What am I thankful for? What good things have happened this year?' In addition to this, students will make Christmas wishes for their friends and family. The wishes will be non-material and will encourage students to think about what could make themselves and other people happy.

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Vocabulary

Literacy – letter, postcard, Christmas card, wish list, address, envelope **Maths**- number bonds, counting, jumps, 2D shapes, 3D shapes, faces, edges, corners, curved, straight

Themed Learning

Art – colour, pattern, decoration, symmetry, design

Computer Science- log on, log off, paint, colour, edit, delete, label, type

PSHCE- reflect, thankful, grateful, wish, consideration, love, happiness

Mandarin

Mandarin Y1MNDC1/2/3

Review the topics we have covered in Term 1 through some interactive activities.

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本周我们将进行拼音总复习并开始本学期阶段测评。

Dutch

Sinterklaas is in Shanghai! Spannende lessen waarin we veel zingen en dansen. De nadruk ligt op het rollenspel 'Sinterklaas' waarin gestimuleerd wordt om de typische sintwoorden te gebruiken zoals, staf, strooien, traktatie, schoen zetten, hooi etc... De kinderen hebben nogmaals de /i/ en /ie/ woorden geoefend.

We kijken ook naar de filmpjes van Dag Sinterklaasje met Bart Peters via You Tube. Daarnaast hebben we het Grote Sinterklaasfeest nabesproken. Veel plezier op het heerlijk avondje. Ik kijk uit naar alle verhalen op maandag.