



WEEKLY PARENT INFORMATION NEWSLETTER – Year 5

Week beginning Monday 13 January 2014

Messages

- **Chinese New Year Celebrations – Wednesday 29 January.**
It will soon be the Year of the Horse and as part of our celebrations we are inviting all the children and staff to dress up for school on Wednesday 29 January. Pupils can come dressed in traditional Chinese costume, wear red or even link their outfit to the Year of the Horse! We look forward to celebrating this exciting time together.
- **Uniform Reminder:** It is expected that all students wear the formal BISS school uniform. In winter this includes a school sweater or cardigan, with fleeces available for PE and outside play. Boys should wear long school trousers and girls should wear school skirts with black or grey tights or long socks. Students should wear a dark coat and black shoes should be worn by all; boots are not permitted.
- Please remember to send a healthy snack and water bottle in with your child and clothing suitable for the weather.
- We love to celebrate students' birthdays, all we need is a reminder to sing to them! If you would like to send cake to share, please do so on a Friday and we can share during our Golden Time. Please also remember our 'no nut' policy.
- BISCAP will begin the week of the 13 January.

Literacy

Students have now met many of the characters from Oliver Twist and are familiar with the main character Oliver. This week we will be working on transferring the text from a narrative into a playscript using both the text and the audio book. Grammar this week will be parts of speech including direct and reported speech and the associated punctuation.

Maths

This week students will complete work on multiplications and move on to division. Some students will be multiplying decimal numbers. We will be looking at dividing by 10, 100, 1000 as well as using a variety of methods to divide HTU by U. Some students will begin investigating long division also.

Themed Learning

80 Days Around the World

Having gained a broad understanding of some of the aspects of the Victorian era, students will now begin to look in more detail at our next topic – Famous Victorians. We will be looking at Dr Barnardo and Lord Stephenson as a class and students will have the opportunity to take on further research of either these people or others of their choice.

Science

Having looked at the basic ideas of solids, liquids and gases, students will now be moving on to looking at evaporation and condensation in more detail.

Vocabulary

Literacy – traditional, workhouse, literature, orphan

Maths – factor, division, mental, partition, chunk



Themed Learning

Humanities – Queen Victoria, Victorian era, Barnardo, Stephenson

Science – solid, liquid, gas

Art – letters, calligraphy, beautiful, ink

Dutch

Volgende week (20 januari) starten de Cito-toetsen. In anderhalve week tijd zullen bij alle leerlingen van Y3 – Y6 (groep 4 t/m 7) de onderdelen spelling, begrijpend lezen, woordenschat en technisch lezen getest worden. Voor begrijpend lezen en woordenschat kan niet geoefend worden. Voor spelling kan het kaartjesspel 'Spelling Laat Zien' gedaan worden, waarin woorden uit alle categorieën terugkomen. Het spel vind je op de Moodle site KS 2 Specialist Dutch. Voor technisch lezen kunnen de leerlingen zich de komende week focussen op de rijtjes uit het vloeiend en vlot boek van Estafette.

Mandarin Y5 Panda

Topic: I like Red-Continued

Key Characters: 色 se/colour; 白 bai/white; 云 yun/cloud; 还 hai/also

Key Sentences: 你喜欢什么颜色 Ni xihuan shenme yanse? / What colour do you like?

Activities: Sing the Colour Song

Mandarin Y5 Monkey

Topic: My Timetable-Continued

Key Characters: 课 ke/ lesson, 英 ying / English, 法 fa / French, 语 yu/ language, 每 mei/ every.

Key Sentences: 从...到... cong...dao.../ from...to...; 有时候 you shihou/ sometimes

Activities: My Timetable

Mandarin Y5 Horse

Topic: Lesson 6 - I can play instruments-Continued

Key Characters: 听 (ting), to listen to; 吹 (chui), to blow (an instrument); 有名 (youming), famous; 会 (hui) can, be able to

Key Sentences: 虽然 suiran...但是 danshi... / Although...but...; 得 de.../ complement word

Activities: Role-play to review the sentences "yibian...yibian..." and "...de..."

Mandarin Y5 Tiger

Topic: Chinese New Year -Continued

Key Characters: 新年 xinnian/ 因为 yinwei/ 当然 dangran/ 年夜饭 nianyefan.

Key sentence pattern: 会 hui..... -...will

Activities: Discuss about the Chinese traditional festivals and make a CNY card

Mandarin Y5 MNF

本周我们将学习课文《荒芜的花园》，学习本课的汉字和相关的词语，能理解花园荒芜的原因，能结合学习课文后的感受用自己的话说说对最后一段话的理解。