

WEEKLY PARENT INFORMATION NEWSLETTER - Year 3

Week beginning Monday 09 February 2015

Messages

- PTC meetings Just a reminder that the Parent Teacher Conferences will take place next week on Tuesday 10 and Thursday 12 February. Please ensure you have made an appointment. We look forward to seeing you then.
- Cancellation of ECAs All ECAs will be cancelled on Tuesday 10 and Thursday 12 February due to Parent Teacher Conferences. Our BISCAP programme will run as normal.
- Chinese New Year Day Friday 13 Feb: Chinese New Year come to school in Chinese costume or wearing red.
- Snacks Please could all parents ensure that children bring in healthy snacks to school that are nut free? Fresh or dried fruit, yoghurts, crackers or a small sandwich are all excellent snacks. Please can you also remind your child that snacks are not to be shared due to other children having allergies. Thank you for your help and support with this.
- Our Paddington Bear Costume Competition is now open. Entries to Ms Meehan by Wednesday 25 February please.
- 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. For the next 4 weeks 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 Mathletics website, but please ask if they need a reminder.

Literacy

This week the children will be continuing with reports. They will be looking more specifically at weather reports, and will be using their graphs from Maths, to create a weather report on one of the three countries we are focusing on this term: China, Switzerland or Zambia.

Maths

In Maths the children will be interpreting and presenting data using bar charts, pictograms and tables. They will then use this data to solve one-step and two-step questions such as 'How many more?' and 'How many less?'

Themed Learning

'Different Places, Similar Lives'

The children will be continuing their investigation into the lives of people around the world. This week they will work on answering the big question: What is the weather like? By the end of the week they will be presenting their findings to other groups of children across the year group and using their knowledge to make comparisons.

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PHSCE

In PSHCE we will focus with the children on peaceful problem solving. The children will share what good choices they are making in the playground and how to solve problems when we feel angry or upset.

Vocabulary

Literacy – report, features, title, sub-title, paragraph, caption, label, diagram, chart, graph, text, information

Maths—graph, bar chart, pictogram, interpret, present, x axis, y axis, title
Themed Learning—climate, weather, precipitation, temperature, degrees, Celsius,
Fahrenheit, tropical, temperate, compare, contrast
PSHCE—collaborate, team work, share, listen

Dutch

Alle Cito-toetsen zijn afgenomen. De definitieve resultaten zullen in de weken na de CNY vakantie worden verwerkt en zowel op schoolniveau als individueel niveau met u worden gecommuniceerd.

Vorige week was het Poëzieweek met als thema de liefde. Wij zullen deze week stilstaan bij de poëzie en een bruggetje leggen naar ons thema 'Sprookjes en andere Volksvertellingen'. De leerlingen kunnen meedoen aan een dichtwedstrijd, maar moeten dan wel vóór 15 februari hun gedicht insturen.

Mandarin Y₃ MNDCN₁/₂ and Y₃Panda/Monkey

The children will be learning how to do Chinese straw painting as well as paper cutting.

MFLYear 3 / 4 Spanish - Ms Leigh

This week Year 3 have been learning new vocabulary related to their homes. The children have focused on correctly labelling drawing of their homes with their newly learnt vocabulary. Later in the week we focused on rooms and objects that we have in our homes such as tables, chairs, beds etc.

Year 3 / 4 Spanish – Mrs Sutton

We have been continuing our topic on transport. Pupils designed their own map of a Spanish town using the vocabulary learnt for common landmarks. Then they gave directions to a friend. Homework is to look at the map of Madrid and give directions to the places circled. A directions vocabulary sheet is included as an aid. EXTENSION-To write the names of any other places of interest you can see on the map.

Year 3 / 4 French – Miss Rae

In French this week we have been looking at different vocabulary for food and snacks. We have studied the well-known story of 'The Hungry Caterpillar' and looked at the different types of food, she ate each day. This week's homework: To

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continue the booklet on 'The Hungry Caterpillar' and add in the missing vocabulary.