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Puxi, Shanghai



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WEEKLY PARENT INFORMATION NEWSLETTER – Year 5

Week beginning Monday 13 October 2014

Messages

- School Shoes – all children are expected to wear formal black school shoes as part of their uniform. Sports shoes and coloured shoes are not to be worn. If your child has been coming to school in the wrong shoes, can you please ensure that on their return from the holiday that they have the correct footwear. Thanks for your support.
- Leaving Early Sign Out – if you are taking your child out of school before the end of the school day, it is essential that you sign out at the EY Cubs or Primary Reception Desks. This enables us to ensure registers are accurate and informs bus and ECA lists for each day. After signing out, you will be given a green card to give to the guards as you exit the school. If you do not have a green card, they will send you back to the Reception to sign out. Thanks for your cooperation with this important Health & Safety check.
- Parent-Teacher Conferences – Please take note of the dates for our term 1 PTC's - Tuesday 4 and Thursday 6 November. Information and appointment slips will be sent home soon.
- 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. River of Hearts clothes donation - an opportunity for our community to clear out any unused/unwanted clothing items of any size or style and bring them into school for distribution across China for those in need. Donation Week begins 27th October.
- Uniform Reminder – No Leggings
Please be reminded that all students are expected to wear the correct school uniform. Girl are not permitted to wear leggings – any shorts worn underneath the summer dress must not be visible and cannot extend below the dress.

Literacy

This week we will be beginning our new topic of 'Biographies'. We will begin to look at the format of a biography as well as what it says about the person. We will be looking at Gandhi as related to the modern day Silk Road.

Maths

In Maths we will continue to focus on number work this week. Students will begin to look at division both as a calculation and division as the inverse operation. Some groups will be looking at long as well as a short division.

Themed Learning

'The Silk Road'

This week we will begin looking at the Persian Royal Road and students will be looking at marking the outposts on their maps. Some classes will be working on Science this week looking at controlled explosions, changing variables and what makes a fair test. Some will be working on Computer programming using 'Mindstorm' programmable Lego to following instructions to make robots.

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PSHCE

In PSHCE this term we will be looking at the topic of New Beginnings, which focuses specifically on fostering new relationships, creating rules and expectations for the class and year. The aim is to work with the children and involve them in making the school a safe and happy place to be.

Vocabulary

Literacy – biography, personal, description.

Maths – multiplication, division, column, estimate, inverse

Humanities –Silk Road, Scythian, Craftsperson

Mandarin Y5 Panda

Topic: What's your name?

Key Characters: 我 wo/I,me; 什么 shen me/what; 名字 ming zi/name.

Key Sentences: 你叫什么名字? Ni jiao shen me ming zi? /What's your name? ; 我叫……。 Wo jiao……。 /My name is…….

Activities: Roll play

Mandarin Y5 Monkey

Topic: Lesson. 2 ---My house-Continued

Key Characters: 里 li/inside; 花园 huayuan/garden; 床 chuang/bed; 桌子 zhuozi/desk;

Key sentence pattern: 一共 yigong,..... / all together; 你的房间里有什么? /What's in your room?

Activities: Poster of my house

Mandarin Y5 Horse

Topic: Lesson 3 "I Live in Datong Garden"

Key Characters: 住 zhu, 远 yuan, 近 jin, 左 zuo, 右 you

Key Sentences: 离……离…… /away from; A 的前面是 B/A is in front of B

Activities: Map designing for student's own home area

Mandarin Y5 Tiger

Topic: Lesson 2 - My Summer Vacation-Continued

Key Characters: 虽然 suiran; 除了 chule; 以外 yiwai; 暑假 shujia

Key sentence pattern: 除了 chule,..... 以外 yiwai,..... /besides; 虽然 suiran,.....可是 keshi,.....

(Although) ... but...

Activities: Making sentences with key sentence patterns

Mandarin Y5 MNDCN

本周我们将学习《瀑布》，学习课文中的汉字和词语。通过学习能把握诗歌中的描写技巧和比喻手法，理解它所表达的作者的思想感情，并能够自己创作并朗诵简单的诗歌。