



WEEKLY PARENT INFORMATION NEWSLETTER – Year 3

Week beginning Monday 10 March 2014

Messages

- **Maths Week competition**- find and bring in the largest pumpkin in Shanghai! Vegetables will be judged on the size of their circumference.
- This week the Maths homework across the Primary school will be to finish creating a Maths Trail based on Shanghai. This is a great opportunity for the children to link maths to their local community and to encourage them to use their thinking skills.
- During Maths week children will then have the opportunity to try to solve the Maths Trails of the other children in their class.
- Year 3 & 4 Art Exhibition
Each child in Years 3 and 4 has chosen the piece of art work that they are most proud of this term. The exhibition will take place in the ground floor of the Primary building during the week commencing Monday 17 March. You are invited to come and view all the artwork between 8.00 and 8.30 any morning during this week. Alternatively, why not take a look after visiting the Year 3 project showcase. We hope you enjoy the exhibition!
- The Year 3 Africa Project Showcase will be held on Thursday 20 March at 10am. This will be an opportunity to share with parents the children's hard work on their Africa project. We look forward to seeing you then!
- The Class 3P assembly will take place on Friday 21 March in the Primary Theatre. We would like to invite all Class 3P parents to attend. We hope to see you there!
- On **Wednesday 12 March** the children in Year 2 are going to be running a cake sale to try and **raise money for the rainforest**, whilst practising their maths skills. A fabulous cake or biscuit will be just 10RMB!
- **Uniform - Lost Property Collection**
Many thanks to our parent volunteers (Mrs Cooper, Mrs Burford & Mrs Renwick) who spent time sorting the lost property. Many items have now been reunited with their owners, however, a very large number of items have no name labels and so could not be returned. These unlabelled items will on display in the Primary Boardroom from 8:10 - 8:40 every morning next week so parents and students can come and try to find lost clothing. Teachers do spend a lot of time teaching and reminding children to look after their belongings but children are often careless so **PLEASE can we ask that all school uniform is clearly labelled with your child's name.**
- World Water Day
Friday 21 March – World Water Day is approaching. We will be celebrating the vital resource of 'water' on Friday through lessons and activities designed to inspire and inform about many different aspects of water. We hope to raise money for Water Aid (<http://www.wateraid.org/>) as we did last year through pupils designing and painting (on their own faces, hands, arms etc) water inspired images. Face paints will be available at school or this can be done at home. Hopefully all children can donate 10rmb to our cause.

Literacy

This week in Literacy we will continue our Playscripts unit. We will be examining playscripts and looking at their features. We will also be doing some shared reading so that we have an opportunity to discuss the layout and features even further.



Maths

In Maths the children will start by recapping on their multiplication and division facts from last week which will lead into them learning about fractions of shapes and numbers. The children will be completing practical activities where they are able to handle different fractions and then they will move onto adding a value to the fractions.

Themed Learning

This week, we will be reinforcing our Science knowledge during our visit to the Shanghai Museum of Glass.

This week in Humanities we will look at the most famous Pharaohs in Egyptian history. We will be making a traditional crown that represents the unity of Lower Egypt and Upper Egypt. We will also be looking at the history of individual pharaohs and justifying why we think these particular pharaohs were so important to Egyptians.

In Art this week we will be preparing for our Art Exhibition. Children will be selecting pieces of work to exhibit and will reflect on why they have chosen them and what they learnt through creating the pieces of art work.

PSHCE

In PSHCE we continue our unit on internet safety. We will be looking at the website 'CyberCafe' www.thinkuknow.co.uk/cybercafe we will explore all the different forms of online communication and how to stay safe.

Computing

This week in computing we will continue looking at the topic of email. We will familiarise ourselves with the icons and the different features of the email software as well as looking at the different functions and their purposes. We will then practice replying to emails and sending a CC (Carbon Copy) to another recipient).

Vocabulary

Literacy- playscript, dialogue, rehearse, drama, speech, stage directions, adverbs.

Numeracy- multiply, divide, inverse, fraction, shape, number.

Themed Learning

Humanities- pharaoh, tomb, justify, prove, Egyptologists, Tutankhamen, archaeologists.

Art- African patterns, colours, style, features, linear, printing, monoprint.

PSHCE- communication, technology, website, navigation, online

Computing – email, icon, send, receive, reply

Dutch

De Olympische artikelen zijn af! Elke leerling krijgt zijn of haar artikel mee naar huis. De artikelen zijn door de docent gelezen, maar niet altijd verbeterd. Zo ziet u welke spellingfouten uw zoon of dochter maakt in een vrije schrijfo opdracht. Het verbeteren van de opdracht is deel van het huiswerk (zie huiswerkbriefje). De Gids is een groot succes en we hopen hem volgende week gedrukt en wel mee naar huis te kunnen sturen!

Het is carnavalstijd. In de zuidelijke Nederlanden en in België is de afgelopen week de *polonaise* weer gedanst op een *carnavalskraker* en zijn mensen *hossend* door de straten gegaan al dan niet op een *praalwagen*. Deze en andere woorden komen terug in de Nieuwsbegrip tekst van deze week en de carnavalsopdrachten van de volgende week.



Denk aan het meebrengen van Estafette op maandag.

Mandarin Y3 Panda

Topic: Lesson 11 "Animals"-Continued

Key Characters: 动物园 dong wu yuan /zoo

Key Sentences: 你知道哪些动物 ni zhidao naxie dongwu? /What animals do you know?

你喜欢哪些动物 ni xihuan naxie dongwu? /What animals do you like?

Activities: Making poster of students' favorite animals

Mandarin Y3 Monkey

Topic: Take a Taxi-Continued

Key Characters: 一共 yi gong/altogether; 一千 yi qian/one thousand; 公 gong/public; 到 dao/to,

带 dai/bring; 要 yao/want; need

Key Sentences: 带.....去..... dai...qu.../ bring somebody to some place; 要去 yao qu/need (want) to go

Activities: A role-play

Mandarin Y3 MNF

本周我们将继续学习课文《小蝌蚪找妈妈》，并积累相关的词语，知道课文内容。完成相关的练习。完成看图写话练习