



WEEKLY PARENT INFORMATION NEWSLETTER – Year 3

Week beginning Monday 14 April

Messages

- Please be aware that children are not to wear nail varnish at school. Thank you for your co-operation in this.
- In Year 3, we are trying to promote healthy eating as part of a balanced diet. We would like to encourage children to bring in healthy snacks such as fruit or vegetables for snack time. Thank you for your support.

Literacy

In Literacy this week we will be continuing with our unit on instruction texts. The children will sequence instructions and use prepositions, imperative verbs and time connectives to write the instructions.

Maths

In Maths the children will be learning about turns and angles. Children will be estimating whether an angle is greater than or less than a right-angle, how many right angles are in a complete turn and use clockwise and anti-clockwise directions.

Themed Learning

In Science this week the children will investigate how shadows are formed. They will be encouraged to use scientific vocabulary in their explanations and will then use their knowledge to compose and perform a shadow puppet play.

This week in Humanities we will be looking at what causes night and day. We will learn that the Earth makes one rotation in 24 hours and that different parts of the Earth face the sun at different times.

In Art this week the children will continue to develop their observational and sketching skills through the medium of charcoal. They will observe objects carefully to identify where the light is coming from and use charcoal to produce shade and tone in their work.

PSHCE

In PSHCE we will continue our unit on internet safety. We will be looking at how to send and receive emails safely. The children will learn strategies that they can use to deal with viruses, spamming and inappropriate email messages.

Computing

This week in ICT we will continue to look at the audio software Audacity. We will record our voices and manipulate different effects, including tempo, pitch and volume as well as cutting out and replaying different sections.



Vocabulary

Literacy- instructions, follow, chronological, clear, features.

Numeracy- right-angle, turn, more than, less than, clockwise, anticlockwise.

Themed Learning

Science- light source, blocked, shadow, opaque.

Humanities- spin, axis, Earth, rotate, day, night, 24 hours

Art- light, darkness, shadow, sketch, hatching, back and forth stroke, cross hatching, shading, charcoal, smudging, rubber.

PSHCE- virus, spamming, inappropriate, email, junk mail.

Computing – Audacity, manipulate, cut, loop, track, record

Dutch

De leerlingen van groep 4 en groep 5 kunnen al aardig overweg met alfabetisch rangschikken. Volgende week oefenen we dit verder op een speelse manier. We spelen het grote woordenboekspel en gaan op[speurtocht in de bibliotheek. Daarnaast goochelen we met zinnen en zinsdelen.

De kinderen van groep 5 maken vergelijkingen die goed, beter of best zijn. We focussen ons de komende week ook extra op werkwoordspelling. Groep 6 sluit hier bij aan en oefent eveneens vervoegingen in de verleden tijd in.

We gaan er weer voor! Mats en Eliot zullen we deze week even moeten missen, We wensen hen een fijne trip naar Beijing! In groep 5 sluit Stella aan. We verwelkomen haar met open armen!

Mandarin Y3 Panda

Key Characters: 书 shu/book; 包 bao/bag; 里 li/inside

Key Sentences: 这是什么 zheshi shenme? /What is this? 书包里有什么 shubao li you shenme? / What is in the schoolbag?

Activities: Peer Conversation

Mandarin Y3 Monkey

Topic: I like sports-Continued

Key Characters: 会 hui/ be able to, 踢 ti/ kick (soccer), 足球 zu qiu / soccer.

Key Sentences: 你会什么运动 Ni hui shenme yundong? / What sports can you do?
(v) +得+ (adj) structure

Activities: Story-telling

Mandarin Y3 MNF

本周我们将继续学习《谁的本领大》，完成练习部分。开始将学习《唐老鸭新传》，复习查字典的两种方法，利用字典学习部分汉字。认读并积累《识字卡片》上的词语，完成练习部分。