



**WEEKLY PARENT INFORMATION NEWSLETTER – Year 1**

**Week beginning Monday 4 May 2015**

**Messages**

- Please send any clean boxes or packaging suitable for creative junk construction, egg cartons in particular would be very useful. These will be used during role play time when the children have access to various play choices linked to our themed learning topic.
- Please label all school uniform, including PE kit and a sun hat for the warmer weather. A surprising number of items are found to be unnamed, which causes unnecessary stress and expense for parents. Named items will be promptly returned to their owner when found.
- Sunhats can be purchased in the uniform shop, please send a named sunhat for your child's wellbeing during outside play as the weather is now warming up.
- We are excited to be hosting a Book Fair on the ground floor of the Primary school from Thursday 7 May to Saturday 9 May. Blue Fountain Books will be selling a large variety of books for children from Early Years through to KS4. They are bringing a selection of books for parents too! To help your child make suitable choices we will open the fair up during scheduled times during the school day for parents to choose books with their children. Letters will come home on Monday with more details of schedules. **Thursday and Friday 8:00-10:30am and 3:30 - 4:30pm; Saturday 8-12pm**

**Literacy**

In Literacy we are working with non-fiction texts, examining them for information and then creating our own non-fiction works with diagrams, writing and drawings including information gathered on our insect topic.

**Phonics**

This week in phonics the children will be studying the following sounds or phases:

Stingrays – reviewing tricky words

Sharks – reviewing 'ee' sounds: ee, ie, ea, e-e, y

Jellyfish – reviewing all the sounds from the past three weeks: oa ar or igh ur ow oi ear er air ure

Pufferfish- applying contractions to sentence work

Octopus- i-e and o-e words such as fine and hope

**Maths**

In Maths we will be reviewing our knowledge of place value and practising working with numbers to strengthen our understanding of how place value works.

**Themed Learning- Plants and Insects**

Our 'Plants and Insects' themed learning is studied through both Science and Art this week, as the children work on papier mache creations and continue to examine the world and societies of insects.

**PSHCE- Relationships**

This week we are talking about how we treat our friends, how it feels to be kind, how it feels to be unkind and how we can make sure we always feel good about how we treat the people around us.



### Vocabulary

Literacy – heading, sub-heading, caption, label, diagram, photograph, summarising

Maths – hundreds, tens, units, place value, zero as a place holder

Science-insects, thorax, abdomen, head, antenna, mandibles,

Art- papier mache, moulding, construction, modelling

PSHCE- kindness, helping others, thoughts, feelings, good choices

### Dutch

Rambamboelie is een lief klein hondje waar iedereen van houdt. Hij is niet alleen lief en klein maar hij blaft ook zo grappig. Daarom roepen de mensen elke dag: 'Blaf Rambamboelie, blafl'. En dan blafte Rambamboelie voor de mensen. Maar toen kwam die rare dag, niemand wist dat het een rare dag zou worden ....

Met spelling en lezen hebben we de uitgangen voor verkleinwoorden geanalyseerd.

### Mandarin Y1MNDC1/2

Topic: Learning Material

Core Characters: 教室 jiao shi/classroom, 桌子 zhuo zi/table, 椅子 yi zi/chair, 书 shu/book,

Core Sentences: 这是我的 zhe shi wo de...../This is my...

Activities: Listen and draw

Extended learning content: 白板 bai ban/white board

### Mandarin Y1MNDC3

Topic: Going Out

Key Characters: 戴帽子 dai mao zi/wear hat; 穿衣服 chuan yi fu/wear clothes; 戴眼镜 dai yan jing/wear glasses; 戴围巾 dai wei jin/wear scarf; 戴手表 dai shou biao/wear watch

Activities: Simon Says

### Mandarin Y1 MNDCN

本周我们将学习:

1) 儿歌: 漱口

2) 写用字: 口、手

3) 认读词语: 手心、采茶、杯子、出口、吐水

要求: 指读并背诵儿歌, 掌握写用字, 可以用这些字熟练地组成简单词语。