K1 Friday Notes

14th October 2016

UOI (Unit of Inquiry)

We continued our "Body & Health" unit this week. We continued to learn about healthy and unhealthy food. The children worked together to put pictures of healthy and unhealthy food on a graph. If you would like to see some photos of the children engaging in activities related to our 'Body & Health' unit please have a look at our K1 display board. If you would like to sings some songs related to body parts and staying healthy at home with your child please find some links below on YouTube; <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eBVqcTEC3zQ</u> <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9Fr1iDqemjY</u> <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gB4MNu6W9sg</u>

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aQ2Vco_giiE

In the Chinese classroom we had some sorting games sorting healthy food and unhealthy food. Many of the K1 children also showed their love for candies and chocolates. So we discussed in group time when is a good time to eat candies. The children agreed that we should have candies in the afternoon time or after meal. Parents if you child refuses your sugus in the morning, please tell your child they are doing a good job making good choices about healthy food. We also talked about the need to clean our mouth or brush our teeth after having candies. The children learnt more about how to take care of their health.

Star of the Week (This child will be line leader for the week, and help the teacher with some jobs. They are also invited to bring something special from home during the week to show the other children).

Please bring in Show and Tell ONLY if your child is the 'Star of the Week'.

K1J Lanni K1S Minta

English

When we return from the holidays we will learn the letter/sound 'N', for nutmeg, nut and necklace. Please send in ONE object which is related to the letter/sound of the week. Please label the items with your child's name and put them into the basket outside of English classroom on Monday mornings. We will return your 'Show & Tell' objects on Friday afternoons. Thank you for your support and instilling enthusiasm in your child for the English Jolly Phonics!

During the holidays at home if you would like to review the letters/sounds we have learnt at school please feel free to review the Jolly Phonics with your child. You can sing the Jolly Phonics songs, ask your child to do the actions and name things that start with each letter/sound. You can also encourage your child to write their name and the letters we have learnt. You can also put sand, salt or shaving cream on a table and encourage your child to write letters and/or their name. You can also encourage your child to form letters using play dough. Please join in with these activities with your child to role model how to form letters or sing the songs. The children would love to show their Mum, Dad, Grandparents how well they can form letters, sing the Jolly Phonics songs or write their name.

Chinese

During the holiday if you would like to review some Chinese with your child, here are the materials you can use at home;

Ø K1 words video Ø Flashcards Ø The Bear Talking Pen Ø The Pink Chinese folder

Mathematics

In the English classroom this week we reviewed making patterns. The children make patterns everyday, such as when sitting or lining up, 'boy, girl, boy, girl'. We also looked at how we can make patterns with colours and shapes. The children also engaged enthusiastically in sorting colours using dinosaur/animal counters. During the holidays you can read books related to Maths. You can practice counting, finding shpaes and colours in the environment with your child.

This week in the Chinese classroom the children reviewed shapes and numbers. We also learnt a number song, "Ride on the Swing". The child enjoyed singing this song and they learnt to use their fingers to do correspondence counting too. Below is a Chinese song about circles,

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ejNUYFpRB-I

Birthdays

K1J None K1S None

Important Information

We hope you enjoyed reading your child's Progress Report. Please sign and date the front of the envelope and return the empty envelope to your child's Homeroom teacher. We will use the envelope again for the next report card. (Please take out the report card and keep the report card at home).

October. Thank you! K1 Team

Thank you to the parents who came to the Parent -Teacher Conferences on Thursday 13th October. We hope you found the Parent-Teacher Conferences valuable and found out more about how your child is progressing in K1. If you have any further questions please don't hesitate to contact us. For parents who were scheduled to have their child's Parent-Teacher Conference on Friday 14th October it has been re-scheduled for Tuesday 25th October. Please refer to the SMS sent by Mr Laurent/Administration for further details.

The October holidays will be from Monday 17th October - Monday 24th October 2016. The remaining Parent-Teacher Conferences will be held on Tuesday 25th October 2016. Classes for the students will resume on Wednesday 26th October. We would like to wish all the children and their families a happy and safe holiday. We look forward to seeing all the children back at school on Wednesday 26th October.

A kind reminder - The children have all adjusted to the K1 routines very well this semester and made great progress. We can see that the children no longer need to have a nap at school. After the October holidays the children will no longer be sleeping at school. Please keep the bedding at home after the October holidays.