K1 Friday Notes

23<sup>rd</sup> September 2016

### UOI (Unit of Inquiry)

We continued our "Body & Health" unit this week. The children had a visit from two parents who are Doctors. The children were able to listen to the Doctors talk about how to stay heathy and ask questions. Through dramatic play the children role modeled being doctors by dressing up in Doctor's coats and pretending to stay healthy. The children identified, named and stuck labels on an outline of a body. They did this very confidently and enjoyed singing songs to help learn the names of body parts. 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;

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eBVqcTEC3zQ

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZanHqPprl-0

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9Fr1iDgemjY

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cQ6BPWyIueQ

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gB4MNu6W9sq

In the Chinese classroom the children enjoyed role play in the dress up corner. There were so many children who wanted to be 'little doctors', they examined and talked to the 'patients' very carefully. It was so interesting to listen to what the children's conversations were about. Please find below some links for the Chinese songs about body and health;

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=z6l21ovQ5L0

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=53F0TM-IhoM

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rshE1d2RrPg

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=S1crhOwpeSa

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XLLGK-mSRmI

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 Gilbert

K1S Bambi

#### **English**

Next week we will learn the letter/sound 'I i', for ice-cream, ice and igloo. 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!

The children have been enthusiastically writing letters and their name during morning free play time. The children have been learning to write the letter 's', 'a' and 't'. The children need a lot of repetition with their writing skills in K1. If you can encourage your child to write their name and individual letters every week at home it will help their writing skills and letter recognition greatly.

#### Chinese

Thank you parents for your support and help making the K1 Chinese flash cards. We do hope this booklet can help your child at home to view their Chinese characters.

For the audio or reading of K1 Chinese, parents still can access this link also, https://youtu.be/a1N4zEUabkA

We will continue to introduce one new Chinese character each week. Next week's new character is "心", which means "heart". The suggested 'Show and Tell' objects are listed below.

心 heart	
爱心	heart
心形	heart shape

#### Mathematics

In the English classroom this week we looked at a big skeleton and counted the number of bones in our hands, feet and body. We also focused on number 2 and learnt how to write/trace number 2. We looked for number 2 when we walked to the canteen and Specialist classes.

This week in the Chinese classroom we focused on counting activities for our body parts. We counted how many fingers we have on our hands and feet. The children discovered the concept of symmetry with our body parts too. For example, our hands, legs and the left part of our face and body look like the right part of our face and body.

# Birthdays

K1J None

K15 None

## **Important Information**

Parent -Teacher Conferences will be held on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> October and Friday 14<sup>th</sup> October. Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> October will be a half-day for the students. More information will follow at a later date.

The October holidays will be from Monday 17<sup>th</sup> October - Monday 24<sup>th</sup> October 2016. Classes resume on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> October 2016.

Thank you! K1 Team

