

K1 Friday Notes

7th October 2016

UOI (Unit of Inquiry)

We continued our "Body & Health" unit this week. We learnt more about healthy and unhealthy food. The children made a graph to illustrate their understanding of which foods are healthy or unhealthy. The children are learning that they need to eat a lot of healthy food everyday and unhealthy food they can eat a little bit of once or twice a week. The children have been staying physically fit in PE by doing yoga. If you would like to see some photos please have a look at our K1 display board. If you would like to sing 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=ZanHgPprl-0>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9Fr1iDqemjY>

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

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gB4MNU6W9sg>

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

In the Chinese classroom we talked about how to keep our body clean. The children discussed how we need to wash our hands, take a bath and brush our teeth etc. We played a class game brushing big toy teeth with our peers. The children did this very carefully and helped to clean the teeth. Here is a song about brushing teeth that the children loved,

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=S1crhOwpeSg>

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 Kin

K1S Lana

English

Next week due to it being a short week because of Parent-Teacher Conferences we will review the letters/sounds we have learnt so far this semester, 'S, A, T, I, P'. There will be no English Jolly Phonics 'Show & Tell'. Please continue to review the letters/sounds at home with your child. Some children have told us that they sing the Jolly Phonics songs while using their Mum or Dad's computer or listening to the songs in the car. That is great. Thank you for your support and enthusiasm!!

Chinese

Next week due to it being a short week because of Parent-Teacher Conferences we will review the characters we have covered so far this semester. There will be no new Chinese characters next week. The K1 children will be engaged in group activities and games with Teachers in the class. We will help to reinforce their Chinese listening and reading comprehension skills of the characters.

Mathematics

In the English classroom this week we made patterns with fruit. 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 fruit and vegetables such as, banana, apple, banana, apple/broccoli, carrot, broccoli, carrot.

This week in the Chinese classroom the children discussed what some numbers look like and what we should call them in Chinese. Then we made a 'PENCIL' for number "1". The children practiced how to write "1", they traced number 1. Some of the children were able to write the numbers independently. We are so happy with the great effort all the children made.

Birthdays

K1J None

K1S None

Important Information

Progress Reports will be sent home on Wednesday 12th October 2016. Please read the report card before the Parent-Teacher Conferences. If you have any questions we are happy to answer your questions in the Parent-Teacher Conferences. 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).

Parent -Teacher Conferences will be held on Thursday 13th October and Friday 14th October. Thursday 13th October will be a half-day for the students. Administration will send an on-line sign up sheet for parents to sign up for a Parent-Teacher Conference. Please follow the instructions sent by the Administration and use this process to sign up. Please note that each parent is allocated a maximum of 20 minutes for the Conference. We are looking forward to talking with you about your child's progress in K1.

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

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. We will send the bedding home on Thursday 13th October. Please pick up your child's bedding when you pick up your child on Thursday 13th October. After the October holidays the children will no longer be sleeping at school. Please keep the bedding at home after the October holidays.

Thank you!
K1 Team

