



## **Dinosaur Class Newsletter December 2025**

Hello Dinosaur Class Parents,

It's Christmas time! Time for the students to get ready for the school's annual Christmas Pageant. I hope the students have been good this year because I hear Santa is dropping by the school to reward the students for all their hard work!

We're continuing to practice the phonetics in the alphabet and help the students in the class make the connection between the words we say and the sounds the letters make.

Our Reading class and core materials class will both revolve around the ideas we practice in phonics.

### **Core Materials**

Our Second unit in our Reading Wonders series will focus on the tools we use, the shapes around us and the bugs in our backyards/parks. We will be describing and trying to find the things in the nature around us. The last 2 weeks of December we will be practicing for the reading contest (and the first week of January).

Week 1 - Tools we use

Week 2 - Shape all around us

Week 3 - World of Bugs

Week 4 - Reading Contest Prep.

Week 5 - Reading Contest Prep.

### **Reading**

Reading Class will be our focus this month as we prepare for the reading contest in January.

Week 1 - Hot Dog

Week 2 - Big Bear, Small Bear

Week 3 - Too Many Cats

Week 4 - Cat Traps

Week 5 - Reading Contest Prep.

### **Phonics**

We'll continue to practice the all the letter sounds the students have learned so far in Phonics class as we learn how to write the letters with crayons and what a start sound and end sound is when it comes to phonetic recognition.

Week 1 - Review Consonants

Week 2 - Letter Recognition Nn  
Week 3 - Letter Recognition Gg  
Week 4 - Letter Recognition Ww  
Week 5 - Letter Recognition Ww

### **MPM Math**

In December we will be continuing through the 4th book in our MPM math series. The 4th book is a review books practicing shapes, colors and counting 1-5 in different ways.

Week 1 - Shapes and colors - where do they go?  
Week 2 - Counting blocks and fruits 1-5  
Week 3 - Order of numbers and counting blocks 1-5  
Week 4 - Prepare for Reading Contest  
Week 5 - Prepare for Reading Contest

### **Conversation**

For Conversation class we will be learning daily greetings in the morning, afternoon and evening followed by how to ask for things politely and phrases the students may hear the teacher say in the classroom. The final week of December will be used for reading review.

Week 1, 2: Hello, How are you?/ Classroom Commands  
Week 3, 4: May I?/ Singular Nouns  
Week 5: Prepare for Reading Contest

### **Gross/Fine Motor Skills**

Gross fine motor skills is a fun class designed to help the students build their finger strength and dexterity. It is objective based coloring where the students are given a guideline as to how to complete the page, from tracing a line to using specific colors.

Week 1: I know Letters - O, P  
Week2: I know Letters- Q, R, S  
Week 3: I know Letters - T, Review, U  
Week4: I know Letters- V, W, X  
Week 5: Prepare for Reading Contest

### **Conclusion**

The year is progressing quickly and the students are rising to meet the challenge!  
I encourage you to play alphabet games every weekend so that your child knows the alphabet and letter sounds as that is the key to reading and spelling.  
Reading books that encourage healthy childhood development and exploring the challenges of dealing with emotions in a healthy way are a must for a stable and happy child at home.  
I hope we can all work together to help raise the adults of tomorrow.

Regards,  
Teacher Mat



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恐龍班爸爸媽媽您好：

聖誕節到了！孩子們正準備參加學校一年一度的聖誕表演。我希望大家今年都很棒，因為聽說聖誕老人會到學校來，為孩子們的努力送上獎勵！我們會持續練習字母的發音，並幫助班上的學生將我們所說的單字與字母所發出的聲音建立連結。我們的閱讀課與核心教材課程都會圍繞著我們在自然發音中練習的概念進行。

### **Core Materials**

我們的《Reading Wonders》系列第二單元將聚焦於我們使用的工具、身邊的形狀，以及後院或公園中的昆蟲。我們將描述並嘗試尋找自然環境中的各種事物。十二月最後兩週（以及一月的第一週），我們將會練習朗讀比賽的內容。

Week 1 - Tools we use

Week 2 - Shape all around us

Week 3 - World of Bugs

Week 4 - Reading Contest Prep.

Week 5 - Reading Contest Prep.

### **Reading**

這個月我們將把重點放在閱讀課，為一月份的朗讀比賽做好準備。

Week 1 - Hot Dog

Week 2 - Big Bear, Small Bear

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Week 4 - Cat Traps

Week 5 - Reading Contest Prep.

### **Phonics**

在自然發音課中，我們會持續練習孩子至今所學過的所有字母發音，同時學習如何用蠟筆書寫字母，以及在語音辨識中，字首音與字尾音是什麼。

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Week 2 - Letter Recognition Nn

Week 3 - Letter Recognition Gg

Week 4 - Letter Recognition Ww

Week 5 - Letter Recognition Ww

### **MPM Math**

十二月我們會繼續進行 MPM 數學教材的第四冊。第四冊是一冊複習用書，內容包含形狀、顏色，以及以不同方式練習 1 到 5 的數數技巧。

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Week 5 - Prepare for Reading Contest

### **Conversation**

在會話課中，我們將學習早上、下午與晚上日常問候語，接著學習如何有禮貌地提出請求，以及孩子可能在課堂上聽到老師說的常用句子。十二月的最後一週將用於朗讀複習。

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### **Gross/Fine Motor Skills**

粗大與精細動作課是一門有趣的課程，旨在幫助學生增強手指力量與靈活度。這是一種以目標為導向的著色活動，孩子會依照指定的指示完成頁面內容，從描線到使用特定顏色都有明確的要求。

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### **Conclusion**

這一年進展得很快，孩子們也不斷努力迎接每一項挑戰！我鼓勵您在每個週末與孩子一起玩字母遊戲，讓他熟悉字母及字母發音，因為這是閱讀與拼字的關鍵。閱讀能促進健康成長並幫助孩子以正向方式面對情緒挑戰的書籍，對於培養穩定、快樂的孩子非常重要。我希望我們大家能共同努力，幫助培育未來的主人翁。

Regards,

Teacher Mat