



Panda Class Newsletter December 2025

Dear Parents,

December is here, with it comes Christmas and the spirit of gift giving~ We have two shorter weeks this month but they shouldn't affect our curriculum much as we start to prepare for the reading contest coming up in January!

Reading

We have some new books prepared highlighting family, friends, and the importance of recycling. I know recycling in Taiwan is very important, given how little room we have for big bins (unlike Australia).

Week 1 – Just Me and My Dad

Week 2 – Just My Friend and Me

Week 3 – Why Recycle?

Week 4 – Prepare For Reading Contest

Core Material

In Core Materials we'll be finishing "Thump Thump Helps Out", read about an elephant who loves books in "Nell's Books", and learn how kids can help in their community.

Week 1 – Shared read: Thump Thump Helps Out

Week 2 – Anchor Text: Nell's Books

Week 3 – Paired Selection: Kids Can Help!

Week 4 – Prepare for Reading Contest

Week 5 – Prepare for Reading Contest

Phonics

In Phonics we'll practise hard and soft C and G – Soft C sounds like an "S", like in "city", hard C is the regular C like in "Cat". Soft G is like a "J", like in Giraffe, and Hard G is the regular G like in "Good".

Week 1 – Hard and soft C & G

Week 2 – Hard and soft C & G

Week 3 – l, r, s blends

Week 4 – initial / final blends

Week 5 – blends review / sentence writing

MPM Math

We've started doing proper addition in Book 4 of MPM. It's going to get harder doing maths in English, I'm prepared for some confusing classes! Luckily we'll be reviewing counting through these classes, so students should get a really good grasp of numbers and counting.

Week 1 – Additions, drawing/writing numbers.

Week 2 – Measurements, counting, writing numbers

Week 3 – Measurements, counting, ordinal numbers

Week 4 – Prepare for reading contest

Week 5 – Prepare for reading contest

Grammar

We are getting close to the end of Grammar Space Kids 2. This month we will take a short break from the verbs and focus on adjectives and preposition of time.

Week 1 – Adjectives

Week 2 – Prepositions of time

Week 3 – Test Your Grammar

Week 4 – Present Continuous

Week 5 – Prepare for Reading Contest!

Song and Dance

As you can see the majority of our Song and Dance is practising the Christmas Party songs. We have two songs prepared, so we will get the kids practice these songs daily together with some of their old favorites.

Week 1 – Count by 2's song

Week 2 – Jingle Bells

Week 3 – Jingle Bells

Week 4 – Jingle Bells

Week 5 – Seven Continents Song

Thematic Activities

Can you guess what the theme for December is? Christmas! I hope you're excited for the Christmas Party, it's my first one at Marshall so I know I am! We'll be making a lot of Christmas themed arts and crafts, so clear your fridge for some new stuff to put on!

Yours sincerely,
Teacher Luke.



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親愛的家長您好：

十二月到來了，聖誕節以及送禮的節日氣氛也隨之而來～本月雖然有兩週是假期較短的週，但對我們的課程安排不會有太大的影響，我們也將開始準備一月即將到來的閱讀比賽！

Reading

我們準備了一些新的繪本，主題包含家庭、朋友，以及資源回收的重要性。我知道在台灣回收分類非常重要，畢竟我們不像澳洲有那麼多空間可以放大型垃圾桶。

Week 1 – Just Me and My Dad

Week 2 – Just My Friend and Me

Week 3 – Why Recycle?

Week 4 – Prepare For Reading Contest

Core Material

在主教材方面，我們將完成《Thump Thump Helps Out》，閱讀關於一隻愛書的大象的故事《Nell's Books》，並學習孩子們如何在社區中幫助他人。

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Week 3 – Paired Selection: Kids Can Help!

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Week 5 – Prepare for Reading Contest

Phonics

在自然發音課中，我們將練習 C 和 G 的軟音與硬音——軟音 C 聽起來像“S”（如 *city*），硬音 C 則為一般 C 的發音（如 *cat*）。軟音 G 聽起來像“J”（如 *giraffe*），硬音 G 則為一般 G 的發音（如 *good*）。

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MPM Math

我們已開始進入 MPM 第四冊，正式進入加法練習。用英語學數學會越來越有挑戰，我已經準備好面對一些令人困惑的課堂啦！所幸在此階段我們也會持續複習數數，因此孩子們會更扎實掌握數字與計數。

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Grammar

我們即將完成《Grammar Space Kids 2》。本月將稍微從動詞單元中暫停，改為學習形容詞與時間介系詞。

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Song and Dance

如您所見，本月的歌唱與律動課大部分會是練習聖誕派對表演的歌曲。我們已準備了兩首歌，孩子們將每天練習這些歌曲，再加上一些他們熟悉的歌曲。

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Thematic Activities

您猜得到十二月的主題是什麼嗎？沒錯，就是聖誕節！希望您也和我一樣期待聖誕派對，這是在 Marshall 的第一個聖誕節，我超興奮的！我們將製作許多聖誕主題的手工藝品，請家裡的冰箱騰出位置迎接新作品唷！

Yours sincerely,
Teacher Luke.