



Dasman Model School

Grade 2 Newsletter

January 1, 2009

Dear Parents,

Please note that your child will be studying the following topics at school for the next four weeks.

English - Teachers: Mrs. Ayesha Altaf, Mrs. Christine Matthews

□ **Week of Jan. 4th:**

- **Reading:** We will continue reading *Days with Frog and Toad*, Pages 52-65 in the Harcourt and Brace Book, Collections 'Something New'. Discussion and questions at the end of each page. Elicit: meanings of words, verbs, opposites and emotions. Mapping of ideas, questions and written answers to produce a sequence of events to be submitted for correction.
- **Grammar:** Verbs – Action Words – adding 'ed' to the infinitive (to bark – barked) to form the simple past tense.
- **Writing:** Students will be given a writing assignment that they have to complete in class. Journals.
- **Spelling: Spelling Book pg 42,43 .**Words – **phone, laugh, photo, elephant, graph, rough, enough, photograph, telephone, tough. Spelling test on Jan. 8th.**

□ **Week of Jan. 11th:**

- **Reading: English Reading Test on Jan 14th (Lucy 's Quite book,Days with Frog and Toad –Alone . Review sheet will be given.)**
- **Grammar:** Plurals – with unusual endings – words ending in 'o' add 'es', words ending in 'f' - change the 'f' to 'v' and add 'es' and irregular plurals eg. mouse – mice, etc. Elicit words from the class and children copy-write words and sentences from off the board .
- **Writing:** Review the story and their sequence of events which forms a draft of the story. This is to be re-written as their final piece of writing. 6+1 Traits. Journals.
- **Spelling: Spelling Book pg 46,47** Words with long vowel digraph sound – **too, pool, food, cool, room, moon, soon, root, noon, tool Spelling test on Jan.15th.**

□ **Week of Jan 18th:**

- **Reading:** We will start *reading Wilson Sat Alone* – Harcourt and Brace, Collections, Something New – Pages 70-88. Discussion and questions at the end of each page. Elicit meanings of words, verbs, and emotions
- **Grammar :**Review sentence structure-Jumbled sentences
- **Writing:** Review the story and their sequence of events which forms a draft of the story. This is to be re-written as their final piece of writing. 6+1 Traits. Journals.
- **Spelling: Spelling Book pg 48,49.** Words – **where, thank, chin, ship, ship, much, shall, each, white, thin. Sentences. Spelling test on Jan. 22nd .**

□ **Week of Jan 25th: - English Grammar Test on Jan. 28th – Plurals -irregular; verbs/verb + ing; sentence structure.(review sheet will be given)**

- **Reading:** We will continue with *reading Wilson Sat Alone* – read a passage, read questions and answer them using full sentences.
- **Grammar – Revise plurals; sentence structure; verbs.**
- **Writing:** Review the story and their sequence of events which forms a draft of the story. This is to be re-written as their final piece of writing. 6+1 Traits. Journals.
- **Spelling: Spelling Book pg 50,51 .**Words – **few, blue, fruit, stew, grew, glue, suit, threw, new, drew. Spelling test on Jan. 29th.**

Math Teacher: Nagham Al Khafaji

Week of Jan 4th: Math book Chap. 8: Lesson 8.7. Problem Solving Skill: Too Much Information. Chap. 9, lesson 9.1. Mental Math: Subtract Tens. Lesson 9.2: Mental Math: Count Back Tens and Ones. Lesson 9.3: Regroup Tens as Ones. Lesson 9.4: Model 2-Digit Subtraction. Homework will be RW43-RW47.

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Week of Jan.11th: Math book Chap. 9: Lesson 9.5. Problem Solving Skill: Choose the Operation. Chap. 10, Lesson 10.1, Subtract 1-Digit Numbers. Lesson 10.2, Subtract 2-Digit Numbers. Lesson 10.3, More 2-Digit Subtraction. Lesson 10.4, Rewrite 2-Digit Subtraction. Homework will be RW48-RW52.

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Week of Jan. 18th: Math book Chap. 10: Lesson 10.5, Estimate Differences. Lesson 10.6, Algebra: Use Addition to Check Subtraction. Homework will be RW53 & RW54. **Math Test on Wednesday Jan. 21st . Pages (129-170). A study Guide and a review sheet will be sent home.**

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Week of Jan. 25th: Math book Chap. 10: Lesson 10.7, Problem Solving Skill: Choose the Computational Method. Chap. 11: Lesson 11.1, Different Ways to Add. Lesson 11.2, Practice 2-Digit Addition. Lesson 11.3, Column Addition. Lesson 11.4, Different Ways to Subtract. Homework will be RW55-RW59.

Science - Teachers: Mrs Ayesha Altaf, Mrs Nagham Al Khafaji , Mrs. Christine Matthews

Science Test on January 7th – Fresh Water Habitats(pond,stream) ,Salt water habitat-ocean.(Review Sheet to be sent home Jan 16th)

- **Week of Jan. 4th:** We will revise Fresh Water Habitats and Salt water Habitats for the test.
- **Week of Jan 11th:** We will start Earth Science – Unit D - The Sun and its Family – D1- The Sun and Earth – D2-D3 – Day and Night – D4-D9.
- **Week of Jan 18th:** We will start Earth Science – Unit D - The Sun and its Family – D1- The Sun and Earth – D2-D3 – Day and Night – D4-D9.
- **Week of Jan 25th:** Continuation of Day and Night D4-D9,

Review of Upcoming Tests

Science _ Jan 7th

English _ Jan 14th

Math _ Jan 21st

English_ Jan 28th

Homework Diaries: Please make sure you sign your child's homework diary every night. All homework assignments and tests will be written into their diaries.

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Materials: Your child is expected to purchase the following materials for school: pencils, erasers, colouring pencils, ruler.

Grade _2_ Subject Teachers

Principal