



# Dasman Model School

## Grade 2 Newsletter

December 1, 2007

Dear Parents,

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

### English - Teachers: **Mrs. Ayesha Altaf, Ms. Hazel Williams**

#### □ Week of Dec. 2:

#### **Monday 3 December – School Field Trip to Kuwait Scientific Centre**

- **Reading:** We will start reading Lucy's Quiet Book, pages 14-31 in the Harcourt and Brace Book, Collections 'Something New'. Discussion and questions at the end of each page. Elicit: meanings of words, describing words, opposites and emotions. Mapping of ideas, and questions and written answers to produce a sequence of events to be submitted for correction.
- **Grammar:** Plural Nouns – Regular – adding 's' or 'es' to make more than one. Grammar Practice Book, pages 27-29. ('es' added to nouns which end in 's', 'ss', 'ch', 'sh', 'x' or 'z').
- **Writing:** Students will be given a writing assignment that they have to complete in class. Journals. Saxon Phonics – Digraph 'sh' – Lesson 13.
- **Spelling:** Words with vowel digraph sound – corn, shore, your, more, born, store, short, north, four, story. Dolch HFW Sentence – Please **tell us why** you **gave** him so **many** sweets to eat. Spelling test and phonic dictation –CVC words on Dec. 6th. Sight words: from, have, into.

#### □ Week of Dec. 9:

- **Reading:** We will continue Lucy's Quiet Book from last week.
- **Grammar:** Verbs – verbs (Part 1 - doing words) - which tell what someone or something does at this moment – definition, identify verbs in sentences – Grammar Practice Book, pages 75-76.
- **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. Saxon Phonics – Digraph 'ch' – Lesson 14.
- **Spelling:** Words – near, cheer, year, rear, clear, hear, heard, spear, fear, dear. Dolch HFW Sentence – You can **sit** on **those** seats on the right **or those** seats at the back of the classroom. Spelling test and phonic dictation – CVC words on Dec. 13th. Sight words: love, of, one.

#### □ Week of Dec. 16:- 3 days only

- **Reading:** Reading Comprehension – read a passage, read questions and answer them using full sentences.
- **Grammar:** Opposites – antonyms (bad – good, back – front, in – out, up – down, over – under, slow – fast, buy – sell, hot – cold, dirty – clean, near – far, day – night, easy – hard, big – small, young – old, high - low). Worksheets and sentences from 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.

**Math** - Mrs May Teacher:

- Week of Dec. 2: Chapter 6, Subtraction Strategies where students will learn how to count back to find differences. Pages 84-93 Harcourt Textbook. Homework page RW 27, Reteach Workbook.

**Math test on December 6<sup>th</sup>**, including pages 67-93, plus the Practice Sheet that will be given on Thursday December 1<sup>st</sup>.

- Week of Dec. 9: Exploring 2 digit addition using mental math to practice adding tens. Harcourt Textbook pages 107-112. Homework – pages 33 and 34, Reteach Workbook.
- Week of Dec. 16 (3 days only): ‘Short lesson’ – Exploring 2 digit-subtraction, Pages 143-146.

**Science** - Teachers: Mrs Ayesha, Mrs May, Mrs Hazel

**Science Test on December 12<sup>th</sup> – Life in the Arctic**

- Week of Dec. 2: We will start Chapter Four – Water Habitats - Life in a Fresh Water Habitat – B30-B37. Prepare for Science Test – Life in the Arctic - to be held on Wednesday 12 December.
- Week of Dec. 9: Revise for Science Test – Life in the Arctic – B22-B25 in preparation for the Test on December 12. Introduce Life in a Salt Water Habitat – B38-B43.
- Week of Dec. 6: (3 days only): We will continue with Life in a Salt Water Habitat. – B38-B43. We will look at the Oceans and their characteristics. We will discuss the plants and animals live there and how these living things meet their needs. We will look at food webs.

**Review of Upcoming Tests**

Maths – December 1st

Science – December 12th

**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 \_\_\_\_ Subject Teachers**

**Principal**