



Happy belated Birthday to Yuma who turned 6 years old on December 30th! :)

Welcome back! After two weeks off and one week in the classroom, the Beavers are reenergised and back into our eager, busy groove despite the cold weather! Our fingers are crossed for more snowy days like this past Monday! ☺



Since we've been back, we've wrapped up our Unit of Inquiry on families and we've just begun our next unit all about organisation and time! This week we made our own clocks to help us learn how to tell time! We'll also be learning about schedules and different systems of organisation we have in our lives with focus on the days of the week and the months of the year. It should be an exciting Unit of Inquiry! ☺

The Beavers have been losing their TEETH! It's been very exciting for them to come to school and compare their wobbly teeth and we've even had a few students lose teeth at school! Keep your eyes peeled for changes in the Beavers' smiles and for tooth fairy sightings – she must be in the area! ☺

Year 1 Eager Beavers  
Term 2 Week 8



CONGRATULATIONS to the Beavers for running over 500km in total for our 100s Club! And book order forms went home this week – please return them early next week! If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at any time! ☺



### Specialist Updates

**PE with Mr. Eric:** Children have been learning ball passing games in class. They've also been following instructions to walk forwards, backwards and/or sideways and to run in straight or curved lines at different speeds.

**Mandarin with Ms. Jackie:** We have reviewed the list of pinyin spelling and students can read and recognize words themselves. We also learned the traditional poem *san zi jing* and students can recite it fluently. ☺

**Japanese with Ms. Mikami:** 冬は風邪をひいたりお腹を壊すことが多いので、病気に関する勉強をしました。皆自分達の体験を話したり、病気にならないために何をすればいいのか積極的に話し合いました。最初は授業中に発言することを恥ずかしがっていた子達も、自分の考えを言えるようになって来ました。最初に発言することを競う場面も見られるので、順番は大切ではなく、自分の考えを自分の言葉で言うことや友だちの考えをしっかり聞くことの大事さを伝えていきます。ひらがなで書く言葉、カタカナで書く言葉について、お家でお話をするときクイズ形式で聞いたりすると、子供達は何をカタカナで書くのか早く慣れていくのではないのでしょうか。

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