

# **GSRP Penguin Planner**



Teacher:

Xiao Laoshi

ceng.xiao@lansingschools.net

Mrs. Freds-Villa

fredsc0904@lansingschools.net

### Week of 1/23/2023



## English

This week the children continued their discussions of balance with gross motor, movement games. They steadied themselves standing on one leg with their hands above their heads and stretched out to their sides. They observed how it's more difficult to balance with their hands over their heads.

The children also developed their fine motor skills through the use of scissors. They practiced walking safely with scissors and how to properly handle them for frustration free cutting. They also explored how to move their grip along the paper to aid in the facility of cutting along zigzag and curved lines.

The children continue to explore their knowledge of letters , sounds and syllables as well. They are revisiting the difference between the name of the letter, versus the sound that the letter makes. They are encouraged to continue making these observations at home too.

#### Chinese

First of all, a shout out to everyone who participated in the performance! The children did an excellent job on the stage. I am sure that our parents are very proud of our kids. So are we!!!

For the Chinese learning part, we focused on identifying numbers 1-9 in Chinese. Students used different ways to show their learning outcomes. For example, they used drum sticks to count in Chinese. They also fixed number puzzles, counted different items such as popsicle sticks and marbles. Another topic we are focusing on is to do a brief self-introduction in Chinese, greeting as well as introducing their names and ages.

Connecting to the IB profile, we are still working on "being balanced". Students reviewed the fruit vocabulary in Chinese they learned last semester. Then, they made a watercolor painting face out of those fruits. I love their creativity and imagination of their artwork. I am going to "steal" them and put them up in the hallway for a week so that everyone can get a chance to enjoy your child's artwork :)

Enjoy the snowfall and have a great weekend!

#### Reminder & Updates

Important Reminder

Please sign up for our 2nd parent-teacher conference if you haven't had a chance to do so:)



Our preschoolers rocked it during the performance!!!