



# Penguin Planner

Grade: Kindergarten

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## Current Unit of Inquiry

**Central idea:** Over time humans and living things adapt to the environment in order to grow and change.

**Related concepts :** Sequences/Adaptation

**Lines of inquiry:**

- Function-Ways living things adapt
- Causation-Reasons for change
- Connection-Ways humans are connected to other living things

**English Language Arts:** We will begin reading about living things. We will compare and contrast informational text vs. fiction. We have completed learning our letters and sounds. We have also learned the sight words: I, like, the, and, can, see, we, to, a, come, my, with, me, you, what, are. Next week, we will the sight words "now. We will continue to read these words and practice writing them so that we can recognize them. We continue to build and practice CVC words using the sounds that we have learned so far. This week, our decodable book is "Dan Can" Please practice at home.

**Chinese Language Arts:** We read a book "[你是谁? Who Are You?](#)" to describe what is the title of a book and who is the main character of the story. We worked on character recognition and writing of "我 I, me" and will learn another character "你 you". We work on animal words through reading the story. We continue to work on character recognition to review the words we've learned. Students are also working on writing their Chinese names.

**Math:** We introduced subtraction and talked about represent subtraction with objects, fingers, mental images, drawings, acting out situations, verbal explanations, and equations. We will continue to work on solving subtraction problems and writing subtraction sentences. We will introduce 2D shapes. We practice counting to 100 on a daily basis.

**Science:** We will begin learning about living things. We will discover what living things needs to survive.

**Social Studies:** We will learn about maps and the different symbols on a map. We will also talk about directions.

## Subject Integration

## Updates/ Reminder

### Reminders:

- **Thank you for the amazing performance for World New Year Celebration.**
- **No School, Friday February 2nd-** Staff professional development training
- We reinforce classroom essential agreements and routines daily. Please work with kids at home to remind them to make good choices.
- We go outside twice a day! The weather is cold! Please make sure to send your child with appropriate clothing for the weather (**Winter coat, hat, mittens, boots, and snowpants**). Thank you for your cooperation.
- **We are in need of kleenex and hand sanitizer. Any donation would be greatly appreciated!**

Remember to have your child come to school each day, ready to learn. "Minutes matter".