

THE AAESS PRIMARY SCHOOL WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

5th October 2017

Newsletter
Term 1, Issue 4

KEY DATES

Week beg 8th
OCTOBER

Health Awareness
Week

8th and 9th OCTOBER

Parent Teacher
Consultations – FS1 –
Year 2

9th OCTOBER

FS2 – Year 2 Assembly
– 10.20am

10th OCTOBER

Parent Curriculum
Workshop – Years 1-6
– What is the School
Competency
Framework?

11th October

Parent Curriculum
Workshop –
Foundation Stage 1 –
Writing and
Assessment in FS1

11th OCTOBER

Year 3 – 6 Assembly –
8am



Healthy Lifestyles

This week we will be having a focus on Healthy Lifestyles. Throughout the week we will be talking about healthy food, healthy minds and the importance of exercise.

Children will be involved in activities within the class to increase their knowledge and understanding of healthy lifestyles and to encourage their participation in ensuring we are doing this. Please support us in this health drive by ensuring your child brings in a healthy lunch and snacks.

Parent – Teacher Consultations

We welcome our Foundation Stage 1, 2, Year 1 and 2 parents this week to the Parent Teacher consultations. The teachers are looking forward to sharing what your

child has been doing in class and the progress they have already made.

Parent Curriculum Workshops

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank all parents who have attended our Parent Curriculum Workshops. I have received lots of positive feedback about these events. If there is any workshop you think would be beneficial please tell your child's class teacher and we will endeavour to organise one.

Parent Readers

As part of our drive to develop children's love of reading we are looking for parent volunteers to come into school to share their favourite

childhood stories in Arabic or English. If you are able to support us in this initiative can you inform your child's class teacher.

Kind regards,

Helen McCauley
Head of Primary



'Achieving Excellence'

AAESS News

Year 6

We have had an excellent two weeks in Year 6. Last week we had our School Parliament elections and the children did a brilliant job at presenting their speeches in front of their peers. They can all be very proud of themselves! Once the presentations were over, the pupils had the chance to vote. It was a very difficult choice as there were so many fantastic eligible candidates. Huge congratulations to our new leaders for 2017/2018. The new leaders are:

Head Boy:
Greg Ptasinski Szreder
Deputy Head Boy:
James Aitken
Head Girl: Hiba Jan
Deputy Head Girl:
Hajrah Najeeb

House Captains:
Armstrong:
Naina Daniel
Camelia Mahut

Stinnes:
Grace Anyi
Aleeza Butt

Thesiger:
Jawad Al Dwaikht
Wasn Abushwashi

Cousteau:
Layan Khattak
Kaede Vogan

We have also been discussing the Key Values and Competences during Morality lessons this week and have identified how these values would look in practice. In groups, they then had the opportunity to act out a freeze frame depicting these values and were given a chance to vote for their favourite one. It was great fun acting these out!

Year 1



Maths

We are learning about statistics this week. Learning how to make tally lines and work with graphs. We had a lot of fun counting the number of letters in our names, to put it on a pictograph and finding out whose name was the shortest and whose name was the longest!



Phonics

This week we are looking at the sounds s/a/t/p/i/n. We were identifying these sounds, on its own or as an initial letter in a word. We were saying the words out loud to hear the initial sound and match it to a picture. The children really enjoyed this activity, learning sounds in a fun way!

FS2

In FS2 while developing our fine motor skills, we have also been practicing "being kind", "being helpful", and "sharing". This is helping us collect 'water drops' in our buckets in order to accumulate classroom and school house points. Based on the children's story How Full is Your Bucket? we are learning how to behave in real world and social environments; encouraging respect, honesty, caring and sharing, tolerance, teamwork and collaboration. This isn't just to inspire fillers',

but it is encouraging us to find ways to 'fill the buckets' of everyone important to each of us; how can we make mum and dad happy? In helping people 'fill their buckets, ours too become more full'. Feel free to test us.... ask how we can be a bucket-filler versus how we become a bucket dipper.



Islamic Studies

Students shared reading their books with each other and discussed the moral of the story and how this experience is reflected in their real life.



Year 6 students gave a very interesting presentation they worked on themselves with various information, videos and detailed slide share.



Year 5

In year 5 we have had an incredible week of learning.

English

We have been studying newspaper articles. We have explored different ones, identifying structural and

language features. Also, we have created different headlines for several pictures and we have learnt how the five W's are helpful when writing the introduction of a newspaper article. In our grammar sessions, we continued to revise regular and irregular past tense verbs and the spelling changes regular verbs undergo when adding -ed.



Maths

We have learnt how to round numbers to the nearest 1,000, 10,000 and 100,000. Also, we have applied these skills with rounding word problems and place value word problems and investigations.

Science

We had great fun learning about the circulatory system, the heart and the lungs.

YEAR 6 AAESS VALUES

Year 6 have been studying and developing the AAESS school values. They have produced posters to share with all the primary school to promote this key aspect of our learning.

CARE AAESS VALUES



1. I can comfort others when they are unhappy or upset
2. I look after others
3. I use kind words towards other people
4. I look after the environment I am in

INTEGRITY AAESS VALUES



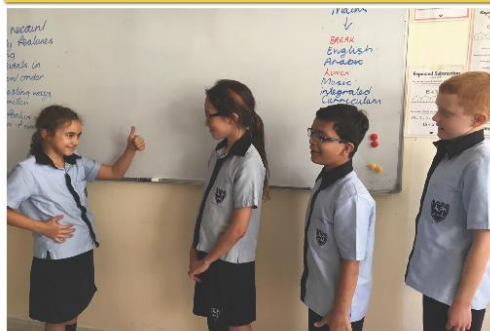
1. I am honest when I have done something wrong
2. I am honest even if I might get in trouble
3. I act appropriately even when no-one is looking
4. I can always be trusted to do the 'right thing'

RESPECT AAESS VALUES



1. We behave positively towards others by listening and speaking without interrupting.
 2. We look after our learning environment and our own and other's property.
- (Kenan, Mariam and Yousif)

RESILIENCE AAESS VALUES



1. We learn from our mistakes and make it better.
2. We keep going when things are difficult.

(Kaede, Lewis, Farhan and Camelia)

TOLERANCE

AAESS VALUES



1. We appreciate, accept and show concern that other's do, say and believe things differently.
 2. Understand other people and respect their opinions.
- (Zaynah, Dora, Mohammed and Omar)

EMPATHY

AAESS VALUES



1. I can help people who are without friends
2. I can help when someone is hurt
3. I can put myself in someone else's position
4. I can understand how someone is feeling and act appropriately