



Al Ain English Speaking School

Preschool Learning Pathway

Week beginning: 2.9.24

Dear Parents,

Welcome to the first Preschool learning pathway of this year. It has been lovely to see all the children settle into their new year groups, classes and daily routines. This is also the perfect opportunity to extend a warm welcome all our new students and their families.

Each week, this year group newsletter aims to inform you about what the students will be learning each week, share relevant key information about the week ahead and provide contact details for the class teachers.

We look forward to working in partnership with you this year to ensure we make this school year of growth, learning, and happy memories!



Contacting Preschool Teachers:

We are always happy to support in any way we can, so if you have any questions or concerns please send your child's class teacher an email (see addresses below).

When contacting staff please remember they have family time outside of school too. Staff are expected to read emails daily (Monday - Friday) and respond within 24 hours. They may choose to read or respond outside of school hours but please do not expect it. Please also bear in mind that they will be teaching or in meetings during the school day (7.30am - 3.00pm) so will not be able to respond straight away.

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Important Information:

- Gates will open promptly at **7.05am** (Monday - Friday).
- The National Anthem will play at **7.30am** every day.
- Pick up for Preschool is: **1pm or 2.30pm** (Monday - Thursday)
- Pick up for Preschool is: **12pm** on a Friday.

Preschool learning:

Week beginning: Monday 2nd September 2024

This week, we will be continuing to get to know each other while making new friendships in our year group as well as introducing expectations in regards to healthy habits and following our class rules. Our very own class puppet will help to guide us along the way.

We will discuss with each other all the different ways in which we are special and begin to recognise our own names through self registration upon arriving to the class each day.

We will also begin to introduce the the 10 different phase 1 phonics monsters. Each of the monsters has their very own story book explaining where they live and what they do. They love to help us to develop a love of reading and become good listeners!

In maths, we will be looking at our daily timetables and routines for when we are in class and introduce the vocabulary first and next through various different activities and routines. We will be developing our skills by counting the numbers on our class calendar, the friends who are in school each day, and our favourite objects we see around the classroom.

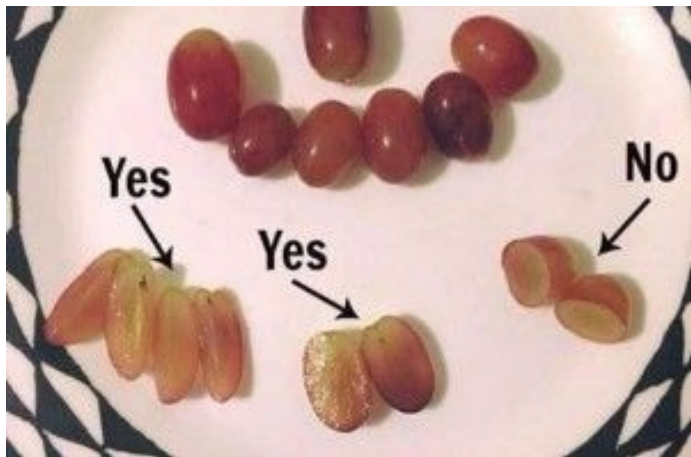
Preschool PE Days:

PE will be on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. On their PE days, students should wear their PE kit to school.

Helpful tips for parents

We would like you to thank you for all your support this week. The children are beginning to settle into their new school routines. Please remember this may take some time and your child will experience a series of emotions getting used to their new environments. To support all the new changes please make sure your child follows a healthy sleep routine, this includes getting at least 8-10 hours of sleep each day. Making sure that your child has a healthy balanced lunch box will also support their health and well being.

Examples of healthy items: white milk, fruit juice, water, fruits and vegetables, sandwiches, yoghurt, cheeses, wraps, pasta and rice dishes. Grapes must be cut in half lengthways as whole grapes pose high choking risk, please see the picture below.



Items to be avoided: chocolate, cakes, cookies, chips, crisps, candy, flavoured milk, vimto, nutella, peanut butter, nuts

Please can we also ask that you provide us with a spare change of clothes (labeled) that we can keep in school if you have not already done so already.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your support and if you have any questions please contact your class teacher directly.