

Al Ain English Speaking School

Preschool Learning Pathway Week beginning: 28.10.24

Dear Parents,

Following our recent parent workshops a number of parents were asking how you can purchase Monster Phonics resources to support your child at home.

We have worked with Monster Phonics and are pleased to announce that we can Offer an ordering system through the school. Click on the form below to select and pay for any resources you would like before **Thursday 31st October**. Orders will be sent directly to the school from the UK and distributed to parents when they arrive.

Monster Phonics Order Form



In recognition of **Flag Day**, students are also invited to bring their own UAE flag to school on **Friday 1**st **November**.

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 28th October 2024

This week in Phonics we will be utilising our familiar musical instruments to listen to and follow a simple beat from a song played on The Monster Phonics Radio. After practicing as a group, we will attempt to apply this new skill independently and learn how to start and stop playing our instruments in response to a signal.

This week in Math, we will introduce the new concept of subitising, which involves recognizing objects without having to count them. We will engage in a variety of activities, including games, flashcards, dot patterns, and tally marks. Additionally, we will participate in a nature walk around the school, collecting items we encounter to practice subitising.

This week in Literacy, we will explore our new story, "Supertato," and share our thoughts on what the word "superhero" means to us. As part of our drawing club program, we will read the story and choose our favourite character to draw together. In our Talk for Writing segment, we will collaboratively select the different actions we want to use to represent each part.

This week in Understanding the World, we will introduce the essential features of a plant's life cycle. We will examine pictures to help us learn key vocabulary and identify the various parts of a plant. Additionally, we will start planting seeds that we will care for in our preschool garden once they begin to grow.

This week in Expressive Art and Design, we will focus on combining different materials and exploring various textures through a variety of techniques. We will consistently introduce vocabulary related to this new task to enhance our understanding and stimulate our thinking and innovation skills.

Things to remember: Please use the white cage just inside gate B to the left, to drop off any containers, boxes, pots, yoghurt cartons, plastic milk bottles, tins, cardboard tubes that you are kindly donating to the Preschool children to enhance their innovative skills. Please see this following photo.

Preschool PE Days:

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

Upcoming events:



Monday 28th October - Thursday 31st October 7:40 am to 3:30 pm





Our Shops
Spinneys Umm Sugeim, Community Mail, Dubai
Tel No. 04 3945770
Meadows Souk, Emirates Living, Dubai
Tel No. 04 3689822

Upcoming events



We are delighted to announce that Bookworm Book Fair will be at Al Ain English Speaking School from Monday 28th October to Thursday 31st October. Please see the poster in this newsletter for more information.

Students will visit the book fair during the day with their class teachers but any parents wishing to visit the book fair between 2.30pm and 3.30pm, will need to complete this form to register their attendance register. <u>AAESS Term 1 Book Fair Parent Attendance</u>



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Values Tolerance

Inspired by the legacy of the founding father, Sheikh Zayed bin Sultan Al Nahyan we will focus on the value of **Tolerance** this term.



Our expectations are that students will:

- Show respect for the thoughts and opinions of others
- Understand that we are all unique and have something valuable to offer
- Accept and appreciate differences
- Understand and support each other if mistakes are made

This week in pictures:

