



Primary Newsletter

T1 Week 3

September 2023



Welcome to the start of another exciting academic year at AAESS and the first primary newsletter of the year!

Our Year group information meetings are scheduled for this week and we look forward to sharing relevant information with you about the children's daily routines and year group expectations. We hope to see many of you in person, but appreciate that you may not be able to physically attend the meeting. As always, if you are unable to make it, the information will be emailed to you after the meetings have taken place.



From **Monday 11th September to Friday 30th September**, AAESS will be running a **Wellbeing Challenge**. During this time, we challenge students and their families to take some time each day to put themselves first and take care of their wellbeing. In school, we will be talking about the different challenges and how to ensure we take good care of ourselves. We look forward to the children sharing some of their experiences in completing the challenges outlined in the year group weekly learning pathways and the final page of this newsletter.

It is impossible to get the home-school communication balance right to suit everyone. However, the use of email is our main form of communication with parents. All letters, newsletters, forms etc are sent by email as we try to reduce paper usage as much as possible. It is therefore crucial that the registration department and class teachers have the correct email address for you.



All class teachers have a school email address for contact. The learning pathways are published each week on the school website and provide links to their email addresses.

When contacting staff please remember they have family time outside of school too. Staff are expected to read emails daily (Sunday - Thursday) 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 - 3.20pm) so will not be able to respond straight away.

News from Learning Support



[What is autism?](#)

[Child autism](#)

[The Spectrum Magazine](#)

In each newsletter, we will be sharing information about common learning difficulties with the aim of supporting parents understanding.

In this edition, we are focusing on Autism which is a lifelong developmental disability that affects how people communicate and interact with the world.

Autism is a spectrum condition and affects people in different ways. Like all people, autistic people have their own strengths and weaknesses. Although there is no cure for autism, there are treatments and courses of support that can be put in place. Early behavioural intervention ensures children learn life skills and coping mechanisms that will equip them for life.



Supporting

Well-being

We all have times where we need some help and our children are no different. Although your child's class teacher, who knows your child best, should always be the first person you contact if you have worries or concerns about your child; there are a number of other people who can offer additional advice and support.

In addition to the Class Teacher, Primary Pastoral Manager, Heads of Year and Primary Senior Leadership Team, our School Counsellor, Mrs Nicholette Sigamoney provides counselling support at the school. She is a professionally qualified counsellor.



[AAESS Counselling Service](#)

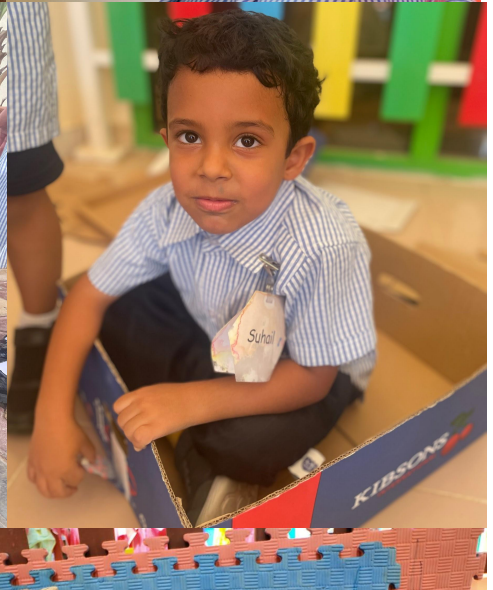
Photos from Preschool

Preschool have had a great week settling into their new daily routines and visiting the different environments for their specialist lessons.



Photos from ES2

Lots of building, creating, exploring and discovering in FS2 this week. The children have had a great week settling into their new learning spaces and playing with their friends.



Photos from Year 1

Our Year 1 students have had a fantastic week exploring our central and outdoor area, sorting objects in maths as well as making 'Jitter Juice' to try.



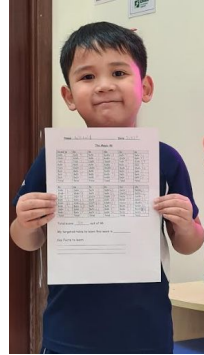
Photos from Year 2

Year 2 have had a really productive week in all their subjects. They have particularly enjoyed working together on maths tasks and painting their colourful Kandinsky circles.



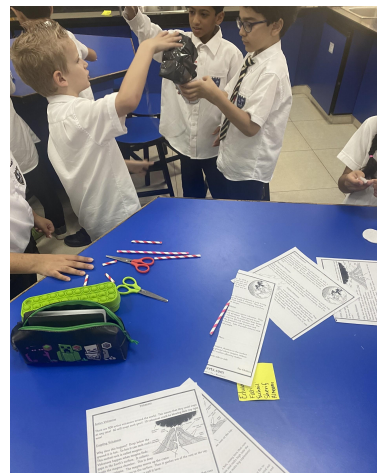
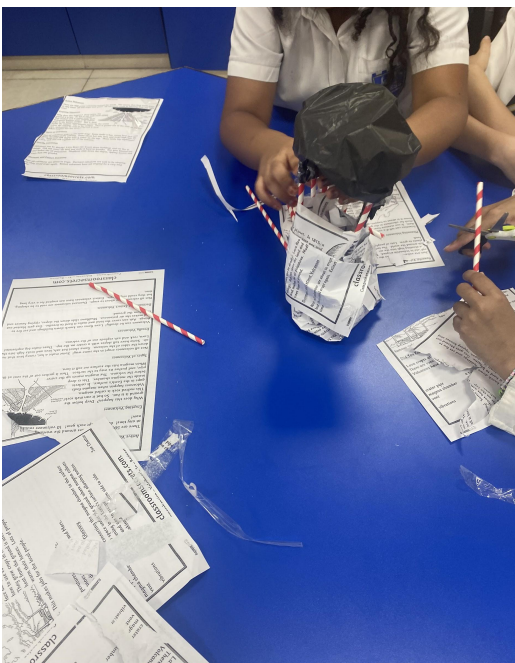
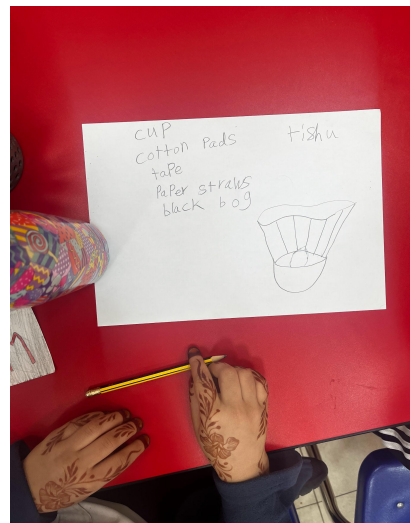
Photos from Year 3

It's been a good week of in Year 3 as the children have completed maths challenges, created some beautiful artwork and taken part in their specialist lessons.



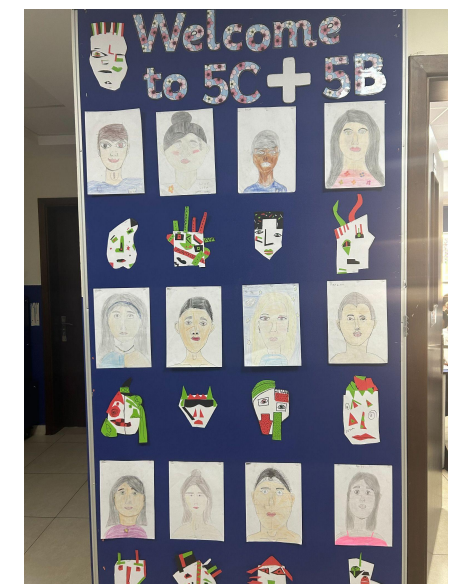
Photos from Year 4

Year 4 really enjoyed collaborating with their friends to design, construct and test a device that would safely keep an egg intact when dropped from a height!



Photos from Year 5

Year 5 have enjoyed visits this week to the sustainability garden and working together to complete a range of learning challenges.



Photos from Year 6

Year 6 have had a super start to their final year of Primary and have really impressed us with their independence and maturity.

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