



# Al Ain English Speaking School

*Preschool Learning Pathway*

*Week beginning: 09.12.24*

*Dear Parents,*



## *Primary Winter Concerts 2024*

Please be reminded that our Primary Winter Concerts this year will take place in the auditorium in this week. As it is their first Winter Concert at AAESS, we would like to invite the Preschool parents to a special concert which will take place on **Monday 9th December at 8.15am**

As this concert will start promptly at 8.15am, parents are encouraged to arrive between 7.50am and 8.10am to find their seats. The concert will last around 20 minutes and refreshments will be available in the canteen after.

To ensure there are minimal distractions, parents should remain seated during the performances. Once the performance has started, parents will only be able to enter and exit out of the back of the auditorium between items.

Please send your child into school on the day of the concert wearing jeans and a white top with a winter hat and scarf as an additional accessory.



For your information, this term ends on **Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December** and Term 2 will commence on **Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2024**.

# Contacting Preschool Teachers:

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## Preschool learning:

### **Week beginning: Monday 9th December 2024**

This week in phonics, we will explore some simple rhyming pictures to enhance our awareness of words that rhyme and develop our understanding of rhyme. By engaging with these visual aids, we will not only learn to identify rhyming pairs but also enjoy playful activities that reinforce our phonetic skills and creativity.

This week in math, we will explore a variety of free-flow activities set up around Preschool that will assist us in connecting numerals to quantities while also enhancing our number recognition and counting skills. Additionally, these hands-on experiences will encourage teamwork and collaboration as we learn together in a fun and interactive environment.

This week in literacy, we will continue to identify words that start with the same initial sound by discussing our favorite stories from home or school. We will also explore how these stories connect to the sounds we hear, enhancing our understanding of phonetics and storytelling.

This week in Understanding the World, we will be transferring the seedlings we've been nurturing into our Preschool garden planters. We'll also revisit exploring the various parts of a plant, its life cycle, and share our eco-friendly ideas for keeping birds away and protecting our plants from being eaten.

This week in Expressive Art and Design, we will partner with a friend to select our building materials and use our imaginations to create a collaborative small world that we can showcase to our peers. We may even incorporate some of our favorite superheroes into our designs, adding an exciting twist to our imaginative play. This activity will not only foster creativity but also strengthen our communication skills as we work together on our project.

**Things to remember: Preschool children must be accompanied to their class in the morning with an adult over the age of 18 to ensure their safety.**

## Preschool PE Days:

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

# Upcoming events

## Winter Concerts

Our Primary Winter Concerts will take place this week, between the 10th - 12th December.



For your information, this term ends on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December and Term 2 will commence on Tuesday 2nd January 2024.



## 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:

