



# Al Ain English Speaking School

## Preschool Learning Pathway

Weeks beginning: 28.4.25

Dear Parents,

As you will be aware, we are currently in the process of updating our photograph permissions. It is really important that the school has this information to ensure we can respect your decision and appropriately share photos across our platforms. Thank you to those parents who have already completed the Google Form. However, if you have not yet been able to complete it, please click on the link as soon as possible.

[Nursery and FS2 Photograph Permission.](#)



We are pleased to announce that next week we will have the Term 3 Bookworm Book Fair in the Auditorium between Monday 5th and Thursday 8th May. Every student will have the opportunity to visit the book fair with their class and teacher who will guide them to explore the books on offer. To further celebrate our love for reading during this week, the students will have an opportunity to dress as their favourite book character on the day of their visit. Further details about this will be shared on Monday 28th April.

Pret-a-Portrait have extended the early bird discount period to 5/5/2025 so you can take advantage of the discounted prices for longer!

Head to their website <https://www.pret-a-portrait.net> and enter your sitting ID, the discount will automatically be applied.

If you've misplaced your sitting ID, please contact **Pret-a-Portrait** directly on: 04 447 4601 or [customerservice@pret-a-portrait.ae](mailto:customerservice@pret-a-portrait.ae)



## 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).

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# Important Information:

- Please be reminded that at drop off and pick up times, students should not play on the equipment in the playgrounds and parents should not speak to any students on site without their parent's permission.
- Please also be reminded children should not attend school if they have sickness, diarrhea or have fever like symptoms. In the event of any absence from school, please email your child's class teacher and [csmith@aaess.sch.ae](mailto:csmith@aaess.sch.ae) about the absence and reason.

## Preschool learning:

### Week beginning: Monday 28th April

This week in math, we will first discuss how we have learned to create both simple and complex patterns. Now we will take on the role of the Pattern Police. Our important task is to identify mistakes in repeating patterns. We will also present the "Spot My Mistake" PowerPoint game to help each other in this exciting mission!

This week in Drawing Club, we'll read the rhyming story "Llama Llama Goes to School." Afterward, we'll select three vocabulary words with actions to use throughout the week. Finally, we will draw a character from the story while sharing ideas and expanding our sentences and vocabulary.

This week in Understanding the World, we will explore the force of gravity through engaging, hands-on activities. Working together we will observe how different objects fall and learn that gravity is a force that pulls everything toward the Earth. Through these experiments, they will develop a deeper understanding of the world around them.

This week in Expressive Art and Design, we will explore various materials to inspire creativity and expression of thoughts and feelings. We will also begin developing complex stories using small world equipment while discussing safety when traveling in vehicles. We will learn about the importance of wearing seat belts through a fun role-play activity, where we will take on roles as passengers and a driver in a "car" made from chairs. To support us with this important learning experience, you are welcome to send us a photo of you child using their seatbelt to share with their friends and teachers.

This week in Literacy, we will explore our model text for "Jack and the Beanstalk." Having learned key vocabulary from the story, we will focus on identifying those words within the model text. This activity will help reinforce their understanding and enhance their reading skills.

This week in Phonics, we will advance to Aspect 7, focusing on oral blending and segmenting. Additionally, we will continue exploring rhyming words through stories and interactive activities in discovery time.

**Things to remember: We will be building small worlds again but this time with more complexity. Please can you send to school any clean empty boxes, egg cartons, plastic bottles, pots, containers etc that you no longer need, to support our creations.**

**Thank you for your continued support!**

## Preschool PE Days:

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

# Upcoming events



## Term 3 - Book Fair 3rd - 8th May

We will be hosting Term 3 book fair from Monday 5th - 8th May 2025.

## Values

# Respect



Inspired by the legacy of the founding father, Sheikh Zayed bin Sultan Al Nahyan, we will focus on the value of **Respect** in Term 3.

Our expectations are that students will:

- Show respect for the thoughts and opinions of others
- Demonstrate respect for their friends, their families and all school staff
- Celebrate different skills, achievements and interests
- Speak appropriately when communicating with others

# School photo Orders:

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To access the photographs taken during their recent visit to school, Pret-a-Portrait has provided viewing cards for each student who had their photo taken. This includes their unique code and ordering details.

Please refer to the poster above for information about how to avail the discounted purchasing offer.

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# This week in pictures:

