

Al Ain English Speaking School Preschool Learning Pathway Weeks beginning: 9.6.25

Dear Parents,

Everyone at AAESS would like to wish you and your family a lovely Eid Al Adha holiday and remind you that school will resume as normal on Monday 9th June.

We have recently had a surge in requests to collect students from school early. To enable a student to be picked up early, we require a valid reason to upload to ADEK's eSIS system for the request to be approved. The guidance provided by ADEK is that early leave should only be granted for a medical appointment (but parents should aim to make such appointments during the weekend), a family crisis such as hospitalisation, a family bereavement or for an official community task.

If your child/children are unwell they should be kept at home. If your child has had a stomach upset or sickness it is important that you allow a period of at least 48 hours after the sickness or diarrhoea has finished before sending them back to school. Such action will help to prevent the infection spreading unnecessarily to others in the school. In all cases of absence, please email the class teacher and the attendance officer at csmith@aaess.sch.ae to ensure their absence is accounted for.



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 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.

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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 <u>csmith@aaess.sch.ae</u> about the absence and reason.

Preschool learning:

Week beginning: Monday 9th June

This week in maths, we will embark on an exciting journey to discover the value of 4. We will encourage each other to find 4 toys or items in the classroom and share what we have found, helping us to recognise which number represents 4. We will also hide the number 4 cards around the room to find and identify. Additionally, we will engage in activities where we can match one toy with the number 4, represent it using marks or symbols, and practice forming the number 4 using various materials like paint, sand, and play-dough, all while learning a fun number song! We will continue to practice counting forwards and backwards from 1.

This week in Literacy, we will focus on writing some letters accurately while beginning our journey into Pre-Phase 2 phonics, starting with the letter sound 'S.' We will read the book "Superworm," discussing the illustrations on the front cover. We will talk about the sound we hear when we pronounce the name "Superworm," saying the word slowly and emphasizing the 's' sound together. Additionally, we will explore other words that start with 's' (like snake, sun, and sock), show pictures, and play a fun game where we give a thumbs up for words that start with 's.' This week in Phonics, we will be moving forward to Pre-Phase 2 sounds, first focusing on the letter sound 'S.' We will take part in lots of fun activities that will not only help us recognise the letter but also the sound it makes.

This week in Understanding the World, we will continue our journey learning about the different countries around the world. We will look at maps and photos to help us understand that there are many places to discover. We will also talk about what we see in the pictures and books together, including learning different ways to say hello and goodbye from various countries, as well as exploring the unique clothes and houses people wear and live in around the world.

This week in Expressive Art and Design, we will be making our very own Superworms inspired by the story we will read in Literacy. We will use a variety of materials and tools to construct our creations and bring our ideas to life. Once our Superworms are complete, we will use them to connect with our learning in math and communication, and language. We are excited to see each other's creativity shine as we explore and express ourselves!

Preschool PE Days:

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

Upcoming events



19th June.

Values



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

Our expectations are that students will:

- Be mindful towards the emotions, thoughts and experiences of others
- Share, help and cooperate with others
- Use positive language to encourage others
- Participate in charitable or community-led activities to support and help those in need
- Develop the capacity to forgive ourselves and others

This week in pictures:



