

# Al Ain English Speaking School Preschool Learning Pathway Weeks beginning: 16.6.25

### Dear Parents,

We would like to invite you to the AAESS art exhibition on Wednesday 18th June at 2:30pm until 4:30pm.

This will be located in the canteen, sports hall and art studios. There will be a portfolio of students' work on display, including an art installation from the KS2 children, and some live musical performances from children across Primary and Secondary.





While we understand that some families request specific teachers for their children, we kindly ask that you trust the professional judgment of our teaching teams, who carefully consider each child's needs. All of our teachers are fully qualified, experienced, and committed to creating the best possible learning experience for every student. Therefore, we will not accept requests for the placement of your children. As always, we thank you for your continued cooperation and support.

Please be reminded that the last official school day for students this academic year is **Friday 4th July**. Academic lessons will continue with important learning still taking place up until this date. Any child who is absent due to an early holiday before this date will be marked as an unauthorised absence.



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

Preschool learning:

#### Week beginning: Monday 16th June

This week in Expressive Art and Design, we will be creating a special surprise drawing for our new FS2 teachers. We'll be using the skills we've developed over the year, including adding detail to our drawings, writing our names, and describing our artwork. It's a lovely way for us to reflect on our progress and share something meaningful with our future teachers.

This week in Phonics, we are focussing on the phoneme 'a'. We will be learning to say the sound clearly, recognise the letter shape (grapheme), and identify the 'a' sound in different words we hear and speak with the help of our favourite monsters from phonics land.

This week in Maths, we are exploring the number 5 in lots of fun and hands-on ways. We will be finding groups of 5 items around the classroom and learning to match them with the correct number. We'll also go on a number hunt, practise forming the number 5 using different materials like paint and play dough, and begin representing it with our own marks and symbols.

This week in Understanding the World, we are using all our senses to explore the fascinating world of earthworms. We will be investigating natural materials through hands-on exploration and learning interesting facts about the earthworm's life cycle. Using magnifying glasses and even a microscope, we'll take a closer look at how these creatures live and move. Through this exciting, sensory-based learning, we're developing our curiosity about the natural world.

This week in Literacy, we are continuing to focus on writing some letters accurately as we build our early writing skills. We will be practising writing our own names and our friends' names, as well as making simple lists and labels.

Things to remember: Our visit to Cheeky Monkey's will be this week, Thursday 19th June.

Preschool PE Days:

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

Upcoming events



We will be leaving for Cheeky Monkey's promptly on Thursday 19th June. Please ensure that your child arrives to school on time.

### 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:

