



Al Ain English Speaking School

Preschool Learning Pathway

Week beginning: 8.9.25

Dear Parents,

We are so proud of the children who have settled well into their classes and the new routines. 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.

Our programme of Enhanced Curriculum Provision (ECP) will begin again this week.

Please try to arrive **promptly at either 1.00pm** to collect your son/daughter if they are not staying **or promptly at 2.30pm** on the days when your child will stay in school to take part in the activities we have planned. **Kindly note that the gates will close 20 minutes after opening.**



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. Please also bear in mind that they will be teaching or in meetings during the school day (7.30am - 3.00pm) so will not be able to respond straight away.

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Important Information:

- Gates will open promptly at **7.05am** (Monday - Friday).
- The National Anthem will play at **7.30am** every day.
- Pick up for Preschool is either **1.00pm** or **2.30pm** (Monday - Thursday)
- Pick up for Preschool is: **12pm** on a Friday.

Preschool learning:

Week beginning: Monday 9th September 2025

This week in Literacy, we will be exploring a variety of stories and finding ways to express ourselves through songs and rhymes. Together, we'll enjoy repeating words and phrases from familiar stories, noticing print in our environment such as the first letter of our names or well-known logos and begin to understand that these marks carry meaning. We'll also have fun drawing freely and making marks with purpose, as we continue building our early literacy skills through playful and engaging activities.

This week in Math, we will be exploring how to build and create using a variety of materials, helping us develop our problem solving and spatial awareness skills. We'll be working on completing different inset puzzles, which support our understanding of shapes, sizes, and how pieces fit together. As we build and play, we're also learning to focus, persevere, and work both independently and with our friends.

This week in Phonics, we will continue our exciting journey through Monster Phonics Land as we meet more of the colourful Monsters and explore their storybooks. We'll be identifying objects in pictures that begin with the same sounds that each Monster represents, helping us tune into initial sounds and build early sound recognition skills and develop our phonemic awareness in a fun and engaging way.

This week in Expressive Arts and Design, we will be using our imaginations in new and exciting ways. We will enjoy playing with our favourite toys, music, and dress-up to create stories and explore our ideas and help us to express ourselves creatively while having fun together.

This week in Understanding the World, we will be exploring families and the special connections they share. We will be looking at our own family photos and talking about how families can be similar and different. We will be learning to make connections between our families and the families of our friends.

Things to remember: Our learning begins at 7.40 am everyday so please ensure your child arrives to school before this time to settle in, ready to begin their day. Thank you for your support.

Monday and Friday

Upcoming events:



We will once again this year be recognising the Cognita Global Be Well Day with our students on Friday 26th September. More details about this special day will be shared with parents next year.

AAESS Values

Respect



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

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