



Al Ain English Speaking School

FS2 Learning Pathway

Week beginning: 12.01.26

Dear Parents,

It has been lovely to see all the children back in school after the winter break, listening to and sharing what everyone did during the vacation. Our new learning topics have started with interesting hooks to grab the children's interest and we look forward to the journey that our learning will take us on.

Our Term 2 values are Care and Resilience. We are currently embedding the value of care with our expectations that students will develop their understanding of how to take care of: themselves, each other, our school, and with their work.

Our Term 2 Values

Care Resilience



Please be reminded that our school uniform is designed to be weather appropriate. Therefore, with the present weather conditions (cooler mornings and hotter afternoon temperatures), students should be equipped for both warm and cold weather. If the children do not have a school jumper or sweater to wear, they should come to school, wearing a plain (preferably navy blue) jumper or cardigan. With the changing weather temperatures, it is also important that all items students are likely to take off during the day are clearly labelled with their name and class.

Contacting FS2 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). Please be reminded that arriving on time each morning is vital to your child's learning. Gates close and lessons start promptly at 7.40 am.**
- *As part of our commitment to safety, our new swipe card entry system is in place to ensure that only staff and approved visitors are permitted on site during the school day. Thank you for respecting this and for your continued support in helping us maintain a safe environment for all.*
- **Regular pick-up time is 2:30 PM. If your child is registered for an ECA (Extra-Curricular Activity), pick-up will be at 3:20 PM. Please note that if a child is not registered for an ECA and is not collected by 2:40 PM, they will be taken to KS2 for supervision. In this case, you will need to wait at Security, and your child will be brought to you. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation in helping us ensure a smooth and safe end to the school day.**

FS2 Learning:

Week beginning: Monday 12th January 2026

This week in Phonics, we will learn about the new diagraphs from Phase 3 of Monster Phonics: 'ch', and 'sh'.

In Communication and Language, we will continue to develop and extend our expressive communication by incorporating Makaton Signs into our daily routines and in our play. The Sign of the Week is "aeroplane," we will learn this in English, Arabic and in Makaton.

In Personal, Social and Emotional Development, we will talk about the different factors that support overall health, focusing on regular physical activity - linked to value of CARE. In Physical Development, we will work to develop small motor skills so that the children can use a range of tools competently, safely and confidently

In Maths this week, we will be learning all about capacity. The children will explore how much different containers can hold through fun, hands-on activities like pouring, filling, and comparing.

This week in our Understanding the World lessons, we will continue learning about different kinds of maps. The children will take a tour of the school, using simple directions to follow our route and reach our final destination. We will also begin learning how to draw our own maps, using simple symbols to represent places and features.

This week in Literacy, we will be introducing a new story titled *This Bus Is for Us*. The story explores different modes of transport and highlights why the bus is the best ride of all. Children will be learning new vocabulary and will begin creating a story map to help them understand and retell the first part of the story.

In EAD we will continue to work collaboratively on our big bus projects.

Tuesday and Wednesday

Home Learning Links

[Week 2](#): Please click here to access a folder with links to activities. The activities in this folder are not compulsory for FS2. They are shared to give you fun ideas that connect with what we will be learning in the week ahead.

If your child would like to explore any of these activities during the week or use them to practise and share their learning at the end of the week, that would be wonderful. Please don't feel any pressure—there is no expectation for them to complete everything.

We hope you and your child enjoy dipping into them whenever it feels right for you!

[Reception Pure Speech - HowTo
Letter Formation](#)

Upcoming events



AAESS will be doing the 20 days of wellness challenge from Tuesday 6th January until Sunday 25th January. The challenge this year will be looking at diet, sleep and activity.

20 Days of Wellbeing



AAESS Wellbeing 20 day Challenge January 6th - 25th, 2026

EAT 3 DIFFERENT
VEGETABLES

GO FOR A 30
MINUTE WALK

TIDY YOUR
ROOM

NO SCREENS 1
HOUR BEFORE
BED

GO FOR A RUN
FOR AT LEAST
10 MINUTES

TRY A NEW
FOOD

DANCE TO
YOUR
FAVOURITE
SONG

WRITE DOWN 3
THINGS YOU
ARE GRATEFUL
FOR

DRINK OR MAKE
A SMOOTHIE

READ BEFORE
BED

EAT A HEALTHY
SNACK

USE POSITIVE
WORDS ALL
DAY

SHOW AN ACT
OF KINDNESS

HAVE A QUIET
30 MINUTES

EAT 3 FRUITS

NO
TECHNOLOGY
AN HOUR
BEFORE BED

EAT DINNER
WITH THE
FAMILY, NO
DEVICES

CHECK ON A
FRIEND

GO TO BED
EARLIER, TRY
TO GET 9
HOURS SLEEP

DO SOMETHING
THAT MAKES
YOU SMILE

PRIZES FOR THE BEST
PORTFOLIO AND
PHOTOS, HANDED IN
ON THE 26th JANUARY
TO YOUR CLASS
TEACHER / TUTOR

TAKE SOME
TIME EACH DAY
TO TAKE CARE
OF YOUR
WELLBEING!

Wellbeing Wednesday

Our Wellbeing Committee is pleased to introduce **Wellbeing Wednesday's**, an initiative for Term 2 focused on building kindness and care across our school community.

Each Wednesday, a short wellbeing prompt will be shared with staff and students, encouraging one small action and a brief reflection on why it matters. These moments are designed to remind us that small intentional actions can make a meaningful difference.



Arabic 1

مرحبًا بكم طلابي الأحرار... عودًا حميدًا وعامًا سعيدًا مكللًا بالنجاحات وتحقيق الأمنيات.... هيا بنا نحو إطلالة سريعة على أعمالنا هذا الأسبوع

سنتعرف هذا الأسبوع على حرف الفاء

(اليوم الأول) اليوم الأول نتعرف على الحرف

(اليوم الثاني) اليوم الثاني أشكال الحرف

(اليوم الثالث) اليوم الثالث أصوات الحرف القصيرة

(اليوم الرابع) اليوم الرابع أصوات الحرف الطويلة

2 التدرجات 1 ولمزيد من الأنشطة يمكنكم استخدام الأنشطة التدرجات

سنتابع مع مسابقة نجم القراءة

كل أسبوع لمدة خمس أسابيع متتالية (قراءة الحروف مع الأصوات القصيرة والطويلة) ارسل فيديو لتصبح نجم القراءة وتحصل على شهادة التميز

لا تترددوا في التواصل معنا على البريد الإلكتروني المدرج أدناه، كما نحيطكم علمًا أنه باستطاعتكم مقابلة المعلمين كل يوم اثنين من الساعة

2:45 - 3:10 نسعد بتواصلكم الدائم

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Arabic 2

Let's take a quick look at our work this week:

This week the students will learn about a new letter: (ف)

[Lesson 1](#): first day.

[Lesson 2](#): second day.

[Lesson 3](#): Third day.

[Lesson 4](#): Fourth day.

[Activity](#)

Dear Parents,

Warm greetings, On Friday, we will make an Elephant by using tools that are being recycled.

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Care



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Our expectations are that students will:

Take care of themselves

- Take care of each other
- Take care of our school / our world
- Take care with their work

Islamic 1

السَّلام عليكم ورحمة الله وبركاته
نعم الله: درسنا لهذا الأسبوع
أن يتعرف الطالب على مفهوم النعمة
أن يستطيع تحديد النعم في حياته، ويشكر الله عليها

- الرابط "ربيع القلوب" إعلان هام يسرنا أن نعلن عن استمرار التسجيل في مسابقة القرآن الكريم
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Islamic 2

Dear students, As-salamu Alaikum.

Our lesson for this week is Allah's blessing (Al Hamdullah)

The students will be able to:

- * Find out that Allah gives us blessings.
- * Give examples of Allah's blessings in daily life (e.g., food, water, family).

[The link of the lesson.](#)

Task: Memorise Surat Al Fatiha.

For any questions, please do not hesitate to email me.

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This week in pictures:

