



Al Ain English Speaking School

Preschool Learning Pathway

Week beginning: 02.03.26

Dear Parents,



During the holy month, and in line with ADEK, please be reminded that school will operate on a reduced day and the timings will be as follows:

From **Monday to Thursday** lessons will begin promptly at **9.00am** and end at **2:00pm**. On **Friday** lessons will begin promptly **9:00 am** until **11:30 am**

The school gates will open at 8.35am each day.

In celebration of World Book Day next week, We are excited to introduce a range of engaging events designed to promote a love of reading, including buddy class reading, mystery readers, Arabic storytelling, and a variety of competitions.

We hope the week of activities will continue to develop the children's love of reading.



Please take the time to share your views on your child's experience at AAESS via the **Voice of the Parent Survey**. This survey is a vital to help shape the future direction of our school. And we strongly encourage all parents to take part.

We are grateful for the time and care you take to share your feedback with us.



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:

Please be reminded that in line with updated policy requirements, parents or carers of children in Primary will need to wear their permanent access pass to enter the school site and drop off or collect their children.



PARENTS
REMEMBER TO WEAR YOUR

YELLOW LANYARD
ACCESS PASS



WEAR YOUR PASS
AT **DROP OFF & PICK UP**

SAFETY FIRST
HELP US IDENTIFY YOU!

أولياء الأمور

تذكروا ارتداء شريط تصريح الدخول الأصفر بكم

شريط تصريح الدخول الأصفر



ارتدِ تصريحك عند
التوصيل والاستلام

السلامة أولاً!

PACKING KINDNESS SHARE A SMILE



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Ramadan Make a Difference
Cognita Student Challenge
رمضان العطاء يصنع فرقاً



This Ramadan, we are filling a suitcase with toys and learning resources to send to a school in Malawi. Through sharing and giving, our children will help support play, learning, and smiles for children just like them.



We would like to ask our children in Pre School and FS2 to share a new or gently used toy or learning resource and be part of something special. Together, small acts make a big difference.

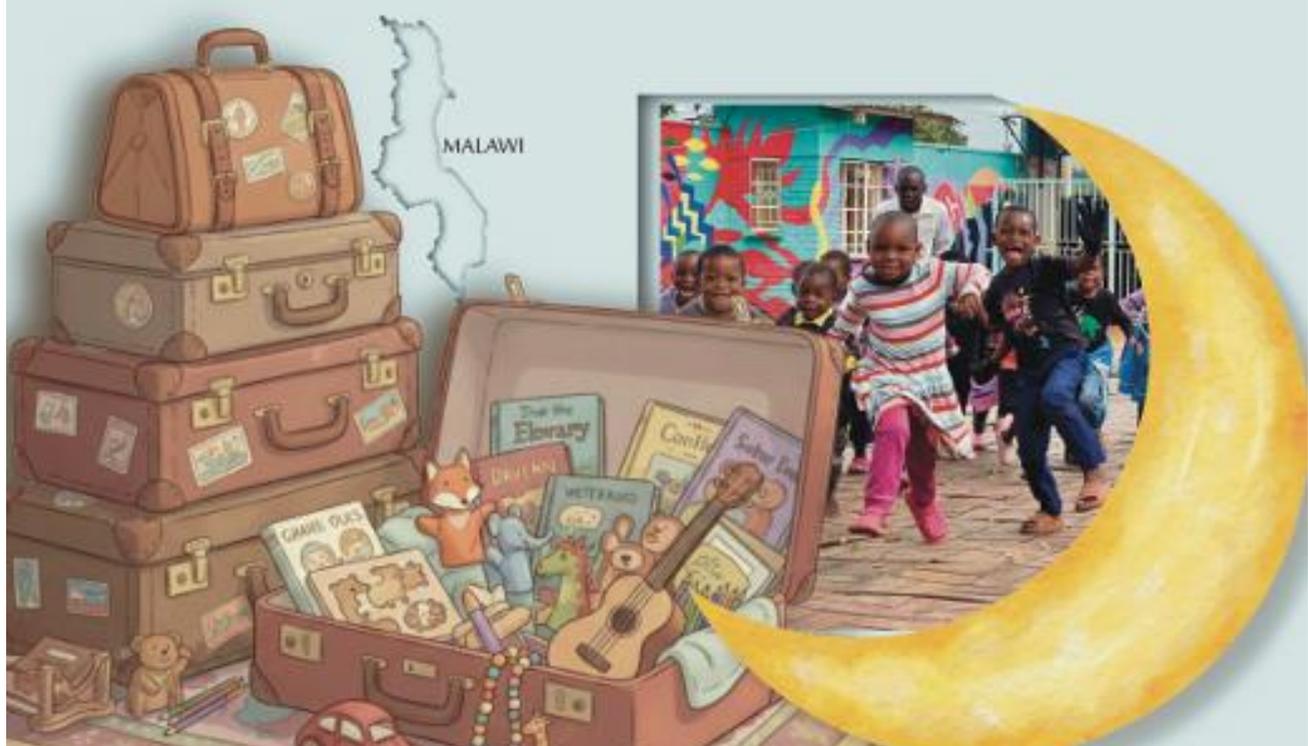


Suggestions include:

Musical Instruments, Wooden Puzzles, Story Books, Shapes, Puppets, Chalks, Pegs, Animals, Threading beads, Toy cars, Colouring pencils

Please contact Ms Denise if you have any questions
denise.grant@cognita.com

"Kindness Travels"
Our gifts are going on a long journey





AAESS BOOK WEEK

March 2nd – 6th

Book Cover Design Competition

Children are to redesign the front cover of their favourite book. These designs are to be submitted to class teachers, ready for the Book Day Judges to decide the final winners.



Extreme Reading Photo

To promote reading at home and to show you can read anywhere, children can take photos of them reading in unique imaginative places, whilst still staying safe. Please send these pictures to your class teacher to be displayed around the school.



UAE Online Reading Challenge

5th March – 5th April

Kidsa-z.com for student login



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**.



- Pick up for Preschool is either **1.00pm** or **2.30pm** (Monday - Thursday)
- Pick up for Preschool is: **11:30am** on a Friday.

Preschool learning:

Week beginning: Monday 02 March 2026

In literacy this week, the children will be creating a story map for our topic book *Whatever Next!* Together, we will talk through the key events in the story and draw simple pictures to show what happens first, next, and at the end. As we build the story map, the children will help retell the story in their own words, using the pictures to guide them. This activity supports their understanding of story structure and helps them remember and sequence the events with confidence.

This week in Phonics we will continue exploring **voice sounds** through our Monster Phonics activities. The children will have lots of opportunities to experiment with loud, quiet, high, and low voices as they join in with the Monster characters and their sound stories. Through songs, games, and playful repetition, the children will build confidence in identifying and producing different voice sounds, helping to strengthen their early phonics and listening skills

This week in Understanding the World, we will be exploring push and pull forces using magnets. We will investigate how magnets can pull objects together or push them apart, learning new vocabulary such as attract and repel through fun hands-on experiments.

This week in Maths we will continue to review sequencing by looking at our morning routine and talking about the steps that we follow. We will practise the sequence of our daily routines at school such as going out for playtime, getting ready for snack or lunchtime, and getting ready to go home.

This week in expressive arts and design, we will focus on helping the children sing the melodic shape of familiar songs, exploring how melodies move *up and down* and *down and up*. Through playful singing activities

Thank you for the wonderful donations to our Ramadan *Making a Difference* challenge. It has been so lovely to see the children happy and excited to share their toys and resources.

Preschool PE Days:

Monday and Friday

Upcoming events:



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**UAE's 6th Reading
Competition
Mar. 5 - Apr. 5**

Week beginning: 2nd March 2026

Throughout the week beginning the 2nd March 2026, the students will be recognising World Book Day. We will complete a number of activities to promote a love of reading.



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

أنشودة الحروف

أهم النقاط التي سيتم العمل عليها مع أطفالنا خلال هذا الأسبوع
نتعرف هذا الأسبوع على

حرف الواو

سيتم العمل على

التعرف على قصة الواو

التعرف على كلمات حرف الواو (وجه - وُلْدٌ - حورْدَةٌ)

ربط الكلمات بصوت الحرف

تنفيذ أنشطة فنية وحسية بسيطة مرتبطة بالموضوع

حرف الواو



نهدف من خلال هذه الأنشطة إلى تنمية مهارات الأطفال اللغوية والسمعية، وتعزيز حب الاستكشاف والتعلم من خلال اللعب



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AAESS Values

Resilience



Inspired by the legacy of the founding father, Sheikh Zayed bin Sultan AL Nahyan and in line with British Values, we will focus on the value of Resilience in Term 2.

Our expectations are that students will:

- Develop strategies to persevere
- Have a 'can do' approach to problem solving and new learning
- Develop a positive and optimistic mindset
- Learn how to be more adaptable and flexible when faced with a problem

This week in pictures:

