Al Ain English Speaking School

Year 1 Learning Pathway

Week beginning: 9.11.26

Dear Parents,



It was lovely to see the children waving their flags so enthusiastically and respectfully on Flag Day. The day reinforces the spirit of national unity and belonging among UAE citizens and residents.

Plans are now under way for our National Day celebrations on **Friday 27th November**.

Please look out for a sign-up sheet should you wish for your children to participate in the celebrations.



It's a busy and exciting few weeks ahead! We have lots of activities and events planned before the winter break, so please check the Upcoming Events section of this newsletter to see what's coming up.



From Term 2, we will be encouraging children to say goodbye to parents inside the blue gate and walk to their classrooms on their own. This has worked well before. It builds children's independence and confidence. It also eases congestion in the car park, because drop-off is much quicker.

If you currently accompany your child to the classroom, we encourage you to begin preparing them for this change and ready for the new routine.

The children should now have received a username and password for their Monster Phonics eBook accounts. We are very excited for the children to begin enjoying these books at home and encourage you to log in together and share the joy of reading!

If you face any difficulties, please don't hesitate to ask the class teacher.



♥ Strong foundations. Bright futures. ♥

Parent Lanyards

Please be reminded that 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.

If you have not yet got your Yellow Lanyard, please complete the link below by 12th October

[Parent / Guardian Lanyard Request Form – Fill out form]







Contacting Year 1 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. Please bear in mind that they will be teaching or in meetings during the school day (7.30am - 2.30pm) 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.
- Lessons will start promptly at **7:40am**
- Pick up for Year 1 is: **2.30pm** (Monday - Thursday) or **3.20pm** (After ECAs).
- Pick up for Y1 is: **11:30am** on a Friday.

Our AAESS Values Focus

Tolerance



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

Our expectations are that students will:

- Show respect for the thoughts and opinions of others
- Understand that we are all unique and have something valuable to offer
- Accept and appreciate differences
- Understand and support each other if mistakes are made.

Year 1 Learning this week

Week beginning: Monday 9th November 2026

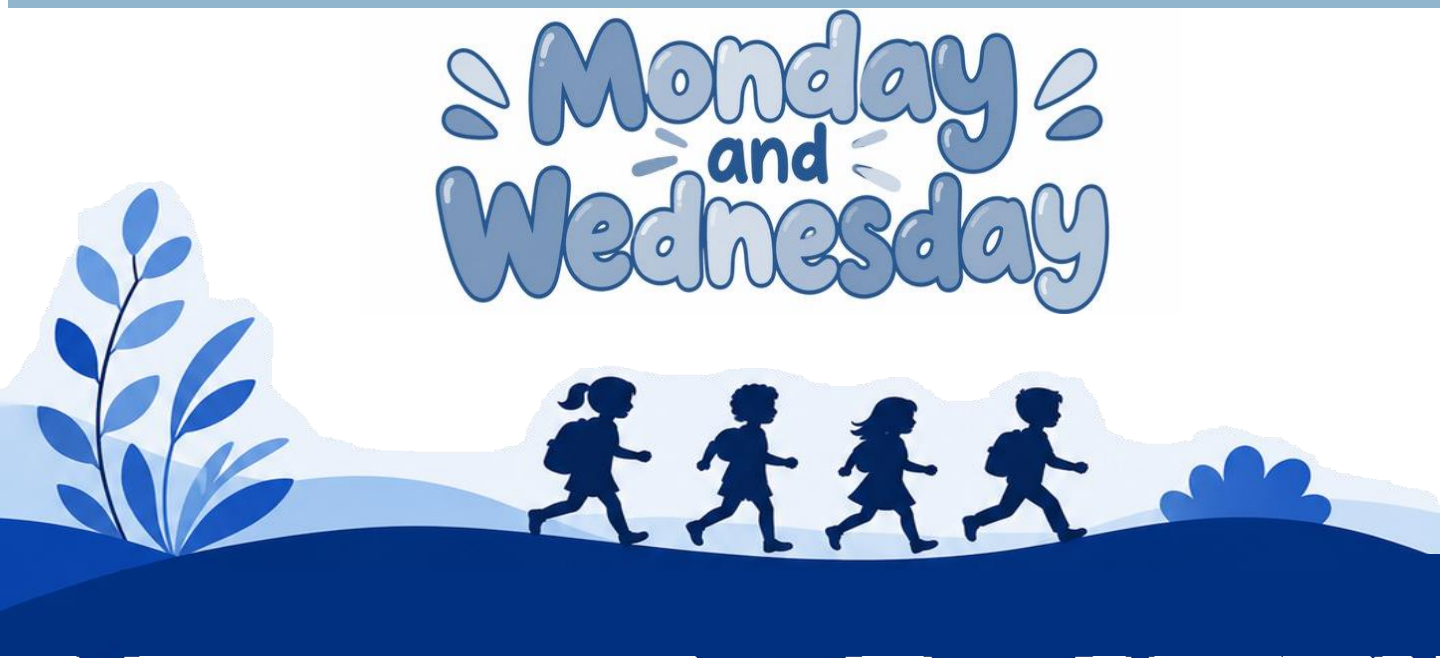
This week, in phonics, we will learn our digraphs, **er** as in bett**er**, **ir** as in g**ir**l and **ur** as in c**ur**l. We will be learning to identify, form and read words using these, as well as challenging ourselves to write the sounds in words and sentences.

In English, we will continue to learn about instructions using the actions we have created as a class during 'talk for write'. We will begin the week by following instructions practically, understanding the importance of following them correctly. Then the children will write their own set of instructions, remembering to write the title, list of items you need and numbered steps to be followed.

In math, we will continue our topic subtraction. This week we will be looking at using part whole models to help us, and practice subtraction using a number line.

In science, we will continue our learning more about materials and we will look at the properties of different materials. We will then explore properties such as translucent or opaque, flexible or rigid.

Our PE Days



Home Learning Links

Please feel free to use the resources shared in the link below to access and review the learning your child completed last week in school.

Year 1 - Week 9 Learning Review

Upcoming Events

Monday 16th – Friday 20th November
Anti - Bullying Week
More information to follow soon.



Friday 27th November
National Day Celebrations

AAESS will be celebrating National Day this year on Friday 27th November.
Please save the date to ensure you can celebrate with us.



WB - Monday 8th December
Winter Concert

Our Primary Winter Concerts will be held during the week of Monday 8th December.
Further details will be shared with you shortly.



Student Health and Wellbeing

At Al Ain English Speaking School, we want every child to feel happy, energised, and ready to learn. This guide supports families in preparing safe, balanced lunchboxes that meet the ADEK School Food and Nutrition Policy and the Abu Dhabi Guideline for Unified School Nutrition and Food Safety.



ADEK_Food_and_Nutrition-Policy

⚠ Please be reminded that to protect the safety of **ALL** students, nuts and nut products are **STRICTLY PROHIBITED** on school premises.

Transportation Contact Details

For any queries or assistance related to bus routes, pick-up/drop-off arrangements, transportation concerns, or other transport-related matters, please contact:

English Communication
Mr. Rintu – Parent Relations Executive 055 231 7780
Arabic Communication
Mrs.Amna- Transport Team 055 231 7674

Enrich ME Weekly Insights

Dear Families,

We're pleased to share the latest **Enrich ME Insights** for Al Ain English Speaking School. The page gives families an easy way to **find out more about Enrich ME, understand our programmes and discover the enrichment opportunities available to your child**.
Within Insights, you can learn more about the different activities and development pathways, see current opportunities and trials, explore upcoming camps and experiences, and find the information you need to book.
Should you have a specific question, our specialist Enrich ME teams can support you with enquiries relating to **sport, aquatics, performing arts, music, camps and other enrichment programmes**.
For more general Enrich ME questions, our Experience Team can help connect you with the right person.

Explore AAESS Enrich ME Insights:
https://aaessinsights.lovable.app

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We hope you enjoy exploring everything Enrich ME has to offer.
Best wishes,
Enrich ME

Student Health and Wellbeing



Arabic 1

هيّا بنا نحو إطلالة سريعة على أعمالنا هذا الأسبوع ...مرحبًا بكم طلّابي الأحبّاء
سنتعرف هذا الأسبوع على حرف السّين
الأصوات القصيرة والأصوات الطّويلة -أشكال حرف السّين
(صناعة سمكة بالورق الملوّن) الابتكار لحرف السّين نشاط
حرف السّين
قم بالبحث في المنزل عن أشْياء تحبّها تَحوي في اسمها حرف السّين وأحضرها معك إلى المَدرسة :ملاحظة
الواجب الإثرائي :تصميم بطاقة فيها معلومات عن عيد الاتحاد في دولة الإمارات العربية المتحدة،
. مع إضافة رسومات مناسبة عن عيد الاتحاد
(تسليم الواجب الاثنين 16-11-2026)
ملحوظة: يسرّ مدرستنا الإعلان عن انطلاق مسابقة جائزة علي بن حرمل التّربوية للعام الأكاديمي 2026- 2027-
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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:(س)

Lesson 1: first day, We will learn the new letter and how to pronounce it.

Lesson 2: second day, We will learn about the forms of the letter (initial, medial, final) in the word, and separately.

Lesson 3: Third day, We will learn about the sounds of the short vowels (َ , ُ , ِ)

Lesson 4: Fourth day, We will learn about the sounds of the long vowels (ا, و, ي)

Lesson 5: Friday activity

Lessons links

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Islamic 1

طلابَنَا الْأَحِبَّاءَ

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكُمْ وَرَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ وَبَرَكَاتُهُ.

فِي هَذَا الْأُسْبُوعِ، سَنَتَعرفُ معًا عَلى دَرْس حُسن الخلق (الصدق و الأمانة) .

سَنَتَمَكَّنُ مِنْ:

1- مَعْرفة مَعْنى حُسن الخُلق

2-إِدْرَاكُ الفرقِ بين قَول الحقيقة و عدم قولها

3- أَنْ يُفرق بين التصرفات المقبولة وغير المقبولة

وَيَسُرُّنَا تَوَاصُلُكُمْ مَعَنَا خِلَالَ أَوْقَاتِ الدَّوَامِ الرَّسْمِيِّ، عَبْرَ عَنَاوِينِ الْبَرِيدِ الْإِلِكْتُرُونِيِّ التَّالِيَة

إعلان مسابقة((ربيع القلوب))

ندعو الأهالي الراغبين بمشاركة أبنائهم في مسابقة القرآن الكريم إلى تسجيلهم، وتشجيعهم على خوض هذه التجربة الإيمانية المباركة

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Islamic 2

My dear students,

As-salamu alaykum wa rahmatullahi wa barakatuh,

Our lesson for this week is **“Honesty (As-Sidq).”**

The students will be able to:

- Understand the meaning of honesty in Islam.
- Recognise that honesty means telling the truth in words and actions.
- Learn that Prophet Muhammad ﷺ was known as Al-Ameen (the trustworthy) and As-Sadiq (the truthful).
- Understand the importance of being honest with others.
- The lesson link.

Note : The Rabi’ Al-Qulub Competition (Qur’an Competition)
has started this year! We encourage our students to take part in this meaningful competition. All the details can be found in this link.

Please do not hesitate to contact me via the email address if you have any questions.
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This week in pictures





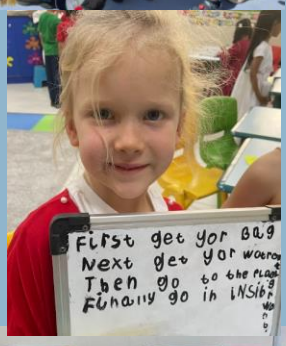














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