

PRIMARY NEWSLETTER

Week Commencing the 3rd October 2021

MESSAGE FROM SAIMA KHAN (KEY STAGE 2 ASSISTANT HEAD)

Dear Parents,

My name is Saima Khan and I am the KS2 assistant head for Doha British School. I have thoroughly enjoyed my first year of being in this role and I am excited to start my second year and learn even more.

I have been teaching in KS2 for 7 years and throughout this time I have obtained a Master's degree and every year I am reminded of the huge impact that we as teachers can have on children's lives. As an educator, I enjoy all areas of the curriculum particularly English and History. I truly believe that reading is a crucial skill and one that our children should practice daily. One of my favourite books is called 'Boy at the back of the Class' by Onjali Rauf as the text provides a powerful message about the importance of kindness and it is great to see the way children respond to the morals and lessons of the story both in and outside of the classroom environment.

This is my fourth year living in Qatar and I have thoroughly enjoyed being a part of the Doha British School community. By families and schools working together, we are able to achieve the best possible outcomes for our children - thank you to parents for all the support you have shown us. I am proud of the way our children have shown resilience and determination in these times and their progress continues to astound us.

I look forward to being a role model to your children that cultivates and inspires them to look at our world critically, to make positive contributions around them and to motivate them to be the best they can be.

Have a wonderful weekend!

Saima Khan Key Stage 2 Assistant Head



attend on Sunday





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LITERACY:



Year 1: This week, we will be creating story maps for our text 'Albert's Discovery'.

Year 2: We will plan our own letter.

Year 3: Having spent the week practicing conjunctions, similes, noun phrases and rhetorical questions, next week we will begin planning our own story based around a 'Threatening Creature'. We want the children to be able to use as many descriptive sentences as possible to 'set the scene' of their story in 5 paragraphs, they will not be writing a complete story. Parents can help their children by practicing an opening to a story using conjunctions, similes and rhetoric questions.

Year 4: This week, we will begin to plan our Newspaper Report which will include all the features explored throughout the term.

Year 5: This week the pupils will be completing a character narrative as a group and editing it with the success criteria.

Year 6: We will begin to plan our own 'Persuasive Letters' based on a Human Rights theme.





MATHS:

Year 1: This week, we will be comparing numbers using the < > and = symbols.

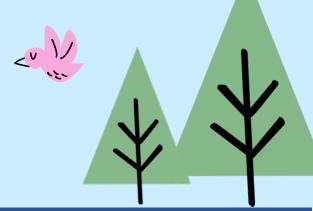
Year 2: This week, we will partition a number as well as comparing numbers.

Year 3: Wewill continue to develop their understanding of Addition and Subtraction. Our end of the week aim will be to subtract a 2-digit number from a 3-digit number crossing 100. Parents can help their children by practicing subtraction using the traditional column method.

Year 4: This week, we will be focusing on negative numbers and finding the difference between temperatures.

Year 5: This week we are continuing our learning about addition and subtraction up to 10,000.

Year 6: This week we will be beginning our Unit on the Four Operations. We will be looking at the column method for addition and subtraction.





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WORD OF THE WEEK

The Ninja has chosen...

Year 1: Interesting

Year 2: Fearless

Year 3: Silhouette

Year 4: Malleable

Year 5: Peculiar

Year 6: Prospects



ARABIC:

Please refer to your children's weekly plan that is always shared on Class Dojo or Google Classroom to see what they are going to do every day.



SPANISH:

Year 1: will continue to learn about numbers and colours through a song.

Year 2: will continue to learn to talk about what they have in their pencil case.

Year 3: will continue to learn how to use a bilingual dictionary.

Year 4: will learn how to give their opinions of sports and justify them.

Year 5: will begin to learn how to tell the time in Spanish using the numbers they have recapped.

Year 6: will continue to look at verb conjugation.





LIBRARY:

Could you please make sure your library books are returned to school in the yellow library folders on your child's scheduled library day.







PE MESSAGE:

Please ensure you check out your Google Classrooms for weekly "At Home" PE activities and challenges. Please film yourself completing the activities or post your scores.



Photos of the Week





