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DOHA BRITISH SCHOOL
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Primary Weekly Brief

Week Commencing the 7th September 2023



PRIMARY WEEKLY NEWS



Dear Parents and Guardians,

I would firstly like to extend my heartfelt gratitude for the warm welcome I have received since joining Doha British School as the new Head of Primary. I have been fortunate to meet many of you during drop-offs and pick-ups in the morning and afternoon. It is clear that Doha British School has a strong sense of community!

The foundation of any successful educational journey is built upon the partnership between the school, its dedicated staff, the children, and the families. Together, we form a dynamic team committed to nurturing an environment where growth, learning, and personal development thrive.

I am excited to celebrate the very positive start we've had to this academic year. I measure this in two ways: seeing the children, who are the most important people in our community smile, and teachers talking about learning – an attribute that supports high quality teaching! The energy and dedication exhibited by our students, the creativity of our educators, and the unwavering support of our families are the cornerstones of our success. It is with great anticipation that I look forward to the countless achievements, both big and small, that this year will undoubtedly bring.

Dr. Luke Cheater, Head of Primary





PE MESSAGE

Thank you to all parents who sent children into school in the correct kit, with no jewellery, this week. Your assistance in making every PE lesson as safe as it can be is much appreciated.



Information about Squad Trials for Years 3, 4, 5, & 6 will be communicated home next week so trials can begin after school in the week beginning 17th September.



WORD

OF THE DAY

Word of the Week

Year 1: Handkerchief

Year 2: Enchanted

Year 3: Dwindle

Year 4: Flail

Year 5: Isolation

Year 6: Audacious



To Do List

LITERACY

Year 1: This week, we will be identifying characters' feelings from our book 'Old Bear' and begin to explore nouns.

Year 2: This week, we will begin to describe a setting and develop our vocabulary using our book.

Year 3: This week children will begin to analyze the key phrases and vocabulary from our text "Rhythm of the Rain".

Year 4: This week, children will be looking at key vocabulary and phrases from our book 'Arthur and the Golden Rope'. They will also be writing a free verse poem using prepositional phrases.

Year 5: Children will begin to use relative clauses in their writing and edit their work.

Year 6: Children will be finding grammatical features and analysing our example text.

NUMERACY

Year 1: This week, we will be counting numbers to 10 through different representations, including number words.

Year 2: This week's focus will be to write numbers in expanded form to 100.

Year 3: This week children will learn mental methods such as flexibly partitioning numbers up to and including 100.

Year 4: This week children will be finding 1,10,100 and 1000 more/less than a number. They will also be comparing and ordering numbers up to 10,000.

Year 5: Children will be rounding numbers to 10, 100, 1000 and 10,000.

Year 6: Children will be starting their new topic of the four operations (addition, subtraction, multiplication and division).





Music

KS2 Choir notice: I am pleased to confirm that KS2 Choir will begin on Wednesday 20th September in the Primary Music Room. Choir will run from immediately after school at 2.00pm - 3.00pm. Please note that nearer choir festival events and the Qatar Choir of the Year Competition rehearsal times will be extended and all are expected to participate if they are to take part.

All Choir members from last year are automatically guaranteed a place. Please let me know in advance if your child no longer wishes to be a member. Any pupils who wish to join the choir need to come and see me prior to Wednesday 20th September for a brief voice test individually. Pupils should mostly be able to sing in tune.





Spanish MESSAGE

Reception students got to meet his/her new Spanish teacher and engage in fun activities and songs about colours.



- Y1 students will start learning colors in Spanish
- Y2 students will continue learning about classroom instructions and equipment.
- Y3 students are learning about tricky sounds and how to pronounce them
- Y4 students are learning about sports and how to form phrases using the verb sugar
- Y5 students are revising numbers up to 100.
- Y6 students have just started to practice tricky sounds and how to pronounce them.

Library MESSAGE

We have been reading and enjoying *The Lion Inside* by Rachel Bright with Early Years last week and, everyone's favorite! *Supertato* with Key stage One children. Children in years 3,4,5 and 6 have been thinking about what the Library means to them and have been listening to poems about the importance of reading. Children have been given a sheet, which should be in their library folder, with the opportunity to write a poem of their own about what the Library means to them.

Please encourage your child to complete this task and to return their books in their folders, on their designated Library lesson day. Have a great week and Happy reading!

Diana and Linda





Friends of DBS is launching a special initiative to collect old school shirts and jumpers from the previous uniform.

The collected shirts will be transformed into unique handmade bears and we're open to your creative suggestions for upcycling the red jumpers.

To contribute, simply drop off your old shirts and jumpers at the main reception. Friends of DBS will collect them from there. Your participation will also promote sustainability and creativity within our community.

Thank You

for your support, and let's make this a resounding success together!





Thank You