

Primary Newsletter- Number 14 **Week 5th - 9th December 2021**



WHAT HAVE WE BEEN LEARNING THIS WEEK?

PRESCHOOL

This week in Preschool, we focused on rhyming words challenging ourselves to find new words that rhyme. In Maths, we continued to compare objects using vocabulary such as; same, small, big, tall and short. Finally, in Art time, we decorated the little characters from the video "Qatar, experienced a world beyond" in preparation for Qatar National Day.

Reception

This week in Reception we continued reading the story 'Shark in the Dark'. In phonics we learnt the sound 'th' and we wrote words and sentences using this sound and the new tricky word 'all'. We continued with addition in Maths and used Numicon to help us with counting.

Year 1

This week, Year 1 have been using number lines and counting back as well as finding the difference in Maths. They have independently written their own instructions on 'How to Catch a Witch',. In Foundation, they have made fantastic plans for constructing a Jeep, next week!

YEAR 2

In English this week, we have been independently writing our own setting narrative based on The Night Gardener. In Maths, we have been counting British Money; finding the total and finding the difference. We have also designed our own football kits as part of our Qatar National Day art work for next week.

Year 3

Year 3 have been planning and writing an explanation text, detailing how to capture the Space Bat Dragon in English. We have been investigating arrays in Maths, using counters. We explored the poles of a bar magnet in Science. We finished learning about the layers of the rainforest in Foundation. We thoroughly enjoyed making our trophy designs out of clay in preparation for the art competition next week as well!

Year 4

In English, Year 4 have been using their plans to write an outsider narrative about a polar bear. In Maths, we have been consolidating our understanding of addition and subtraction by using inverse operations to check our answers. Our Reading lessons have been incredibly exciting as we are approaching the final chapters of 'How To Train Your Dragon'! We cannot wait to see how the story ends.

Year 5

This week in Year 5, we have been practising our skills with writing a biography about Henry 'Box' Brown, making sure to include effective writing features such as parenthesis and relative clauses. In maths, we have been calculating area and perimeter of rectilinear shapes. In foundation we have been exploring art skills by drawing a viking longboat.

YEAR 6

In Year 6 this week, we have been editing and improving our flashback narratives in English. In Maths, we have been multiplying and dividing fractions. In Science, we have been exploring shadows and the effect of moving an object closer to a light source. In Art, we have been drawing portraits of the significant individuals we have learned about in Foundation.

Español

Year 1: Has been learning to give opinions with fruits using likes and dislikes.

Year 2: Has been learning to understand the concordance between nouns and adjectives using colors.

Year 3: Has been working with phonetics, pronunciation and spelling.

Year 4: Has been learning to describe the house using different types of adjectives applying the agreements.

Year 5: Has been learning more about Spain. They are making a research..

Year 6: Has been learning to describe their daily routine using connectives and time.

Music

This week Primary students have been playing music games, body percussion, drums, chime bars, ukulele. We are learning about musical notation and instruments of the orchestra (brass, percussion, woodwind, and string families), listening to the sound of the instruments and trying to understand the difference. Students have been practising singing different melodies with SolFa hand signs. Pupils practised "Hello song", "Bounce high", "Apple tree", "Count on me" songs. All pupils have been practising how to sing with proper singing technique.

DRUM SOLO
FOR YOUR BIRTHDAY!



These children
have had their
birthday this
week

Maytha Al-Qubaisi
Sai Siddharth
Annamalai
Faisal Al-Heidous
Talia Youssef



13th December- Parent consultations- please, sign up via the letter sent earlier in the week or on Dojo.

16th December- Qatar National Day celebrations.

16th December- Finish for Winter Break

STAR OF THE WEEK

Lion Class- Alia Abdulrahman Al-Absi

Llama Class- Roll Over

Zebra Class- Salem Al Sahli

Bat Class- Roll Over

Giraffe Class- Sara Maqba

Camel Class- Leen Belal

Otter Class- Arahant Deogade

Panda Class- Fay Al-Dosari

Hippo Class- Maryam Mohammed

Penguin Class- Rida Fathima

Bear Class- Evangelia Spatharioti

Turtle Class- Moza Al-Boinin

Kangaroo Class- AlJori Al-Ali

Lobster Class- Bhavya Devi

Falcon Class- Arulmozhi Mangai Ponni

Flamingo Class- Mawuse Agbanu



TIMES TABLES ROCK STARS

CHAMPION OF THE WEEK



Year 2

Maryam Al-Mansoori



Year 5

Shivansh Marwaha



Year 3

Malik Abdeldayem



Year 6

Fabio Santana



Year 4

Himan Ranathunga
(161,985 coins)



UNDER 5 SECS



UNDER 4 SECS



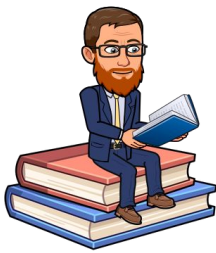
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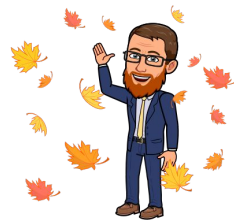
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Autumn term review



As we move into the final week of the autumn term, it is always lovely to look back at some of the year's highlights so far.

It seems such a long time ago since we started the school year (103 days or 8,899,200 seconds at the time of writing to be precise). What a term it has been. Back in August, we were on 50% blended learning. Our whole community, teachers, students and parents rose to this challenge magnificently.

On Sunday, 3rd October, we were told that we could return to school 100% of the time. Since then, everyone has been incredible. Every child has made progress, both academically and socially. We have held wonderful celebration days, including International Day and One Kind Word Day. We will finish the term celebrating the National Day of this country we are so proud to serve.

Your children have demonstrated their ability to learn, listen, and have fun in the classrooms. Our assemblies have focussed on Character Development, with many virtual postcards being awarded for children who have upheld these attributes.



Points for Autumn term.

Preschool = 1598 points

Reception = 3,341 points

Year 1 = 5,054 points

Year 2 = 4,938 points

Year 3 = 7,503 points

Year 4 = 5,492 points

Year 5 = 3,553 points

Year 6 = 3,432 points



ATTENDANCE MATTERS

95% or above is expected

Between 95%- 90%
Below expected

Below 90%
Poor attendance

Preschool = 83.4%

Reception = 88.7%

Year 1 = 88.7%

Year 2 = 92.8%

Year 3 = 94%

Year 4 = 88%

Year 5 = 94.3%

Year 6 = 92.9%