



مدرسة الدوحة البريطانية  
DOHA BRITISH SCHOOL  
AL WAKRA



# Primary Weekly Brief

Week Commencing the 2nd of January 2023



## WHAT HAVE WE BEEN LEARNING THIS WEEK?

### PRESCHOOL

The Preschoolers have made us so proud coming into 2023. They all came in with smiles on their faces and a positive energy that encouraged them to get right back into learning.

We introduced our new book The Hungry Caterpillar and the children absolutely ate it up...just like the little caterpillar. The Ladder Letter 'l' was introduced as a sound, and they are doing really well thus far. Mum and dad can also take us Fruit shopping now, we have practiced in class!

### Reception

Welcome back Reception! We have had a fantastic week settling back into our routines. We have been talking and writing about our holidays. It was so great to share what we did! We have been revising our Phase 2 sounds and words. We have been using our skills to take turns, share and play nicely with one another.

### Year 1

Year 1 have had an amazing return to school in 2023! They have thrown themselves into all of our new topics with excitement and enthusiasm. This term we are learning all about letter writing in English, the Great Fire of London is History and making fruit salads in Design Technology! It's been such an exciting week that we're already excited for Sunday.

### YEAR 2

Welcome Back Year 2! We have had such a lovely start to the new year. In English, we started our new topic based on The Bog Baby. We even made our own versions. In Maths, we have explored British Money. In Science, we have been looking at properties of different materials. In Foundation, we have started our new topic of River and Seas.

### Year 3

Welcome back year 3! What a fantastic start to 2023! In English, we started exploring our new text 'The Rhythm of the Rain'. The children enjoyed taking part in an experiment called 'Storm in a Bottle' to help their understanding of the lifecycle of a raindrop. In Maths, the children have been using resources to group and share. The children are excited to learn about the history of chocolate!

### Year 4

WOW! What a fantastic start back to school Year 4! In English, we received mysterious objects linked to our new story 'The Journey' and made predictions about our new text. In math, we continued to rock out to our times tables and master our 7s. Finally, we began our new science topic 'sound' creating and tuning our own string instruments!!



## Year 5

Welcome back Year 5! It has been wonderful to see everyone back in school. This week the children have started to explore our new topic: Space. In English, we have been looking at our new text 'Where once we stood' and have been making predictions, while learning new vocabulary. In Science, we have been learning about the different planets in our solar system. In Mathematics, we have been learning to add fractions.

## YEAR 6

We have had a fantastic start back to school this week! In Maths, we have been multiplying and dividing fractions by integers. In English, we made predictions about our new book - The Ways of the Wolf and worked in teams to identify the definitions of unfamiliar words. In Science, we identified the functions and features of the human heart, as well as its location in the human body.

## Español

Year 1: Has been learning to say what they have in their pencil case.

Year 2: Has been learning to say what they have in their pencil case according to the correct gender.

Year 3: Has been learning to say when is their birthday.

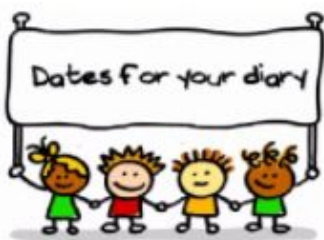
Year 4: Has been learning the basic diary routines.

Year 5: Has been learning to introduce their family.

Year 6: Has been learning to use the near future in Spanish

## Music

This week Primary students have been playing rhythm games, body percussion beats, and percussion instruments. We were learning musical notation. Students have been practising singing different melodies with SolFa hand signs. 'Peter and the Wolf' watched the story, discussed characters and instruments, and listened to character themes individually. All pupils have been practising how to sing with proper singing technique.



Tuesday 10th January- ECAs commence.














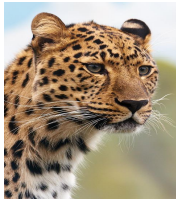


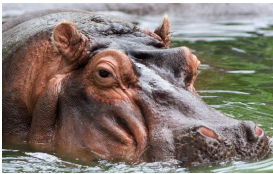
22nd, 23rd, 24th January- School photographs by Pret-a-Portrait.

(More information to follow nearer the time)

Tuesday 14th February- School closed for National Sports Day.



# Star of the Week

	Hamad Al-IShaq		Reem Ghanem
	Reem Al-Obaidi		Nour El Hachmi
	Benzta Mohana Sundaram		Sristhi Mohun
	Aljoory Al-Sayegh		Maryam Al Jelabi
	Amina Ahmed Al-Kanji		Nadia Al-Boainain
	Abdullah Al Jabir		Ghanim Al Gubaisi
	Ahmad Al-Ibrahim		Hamza Sayed Atta
	Abdulrahman Al-Mannai		Sarah Shoaib
	Felysh Simamora		

# TIMES TABLES ROCK STARS

## CHAMPION OF THE WEEK



Year 2

Maira Zaki Ahmed



Year 5

Sophia Siddique



Year 3

Nabiha



Year 6

Ahmad & Kaltham



Year 4

TBA



UNDER 5 SECS



UNDER 4 SECS



UNDER 3 SECS



UNDER 2 SECS



UNDER 1 SEC



These children  
have had their  
birthday this  
week

**Jack Lourenco**  
**Marley Engely**  
**Zeinab Ibrahim**  
**Refaa Al-Shahwani**  
**Damien Gamage**  
**Mokshita Padhan**  
**Janna Fauzana**



All the staff at DBS Wakra wish all our community a happy, health, and prosperous new year. We are sure that DBS Wakra will continue to shine bright as an outstanding school.



I want to remind pupils and parents that we encourage eating healthy at snack time. A piece of fruit, cereal bar, cereal box, crackers or eggs is the best way to snack as these are often slow-release energy which keeps children concentrating until lunch. Food items high in sugar give a sugar high which is quickly followed by a low, which decreases concentration. So, no chocolate, nuts or chips.



Congratulations to 46 pupils who came to school every day during the autumn term. Today, our upper phase children (Y4,5&6) received their certificates in assembly. Children EYFS and lower phase (Y1,2&3) will be presented with their certificates next week.

Attendance and punctuality remain as important as ever. Being late to school by 5 minutes a day for two weeks equals one full lesson of missed learning.



**ECA's**- Information about our afterschool activities has been sent to you via email and posted on Dojo. If you would like your child or children to do an ECA, please, sign-up by the 8th of January.



Thank You

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