



مدرسة الدوحة البريطانية  
DOHA BRITISH SCHOOL  
AL WAKRA



# Primary Weekly Brief

Week Commencing the 15th of January 2023



## WHAT HAVE WE BEEN LEARNING THIS WEEK?

### PRESCHOOL

There is not a day that passes where the Preschoolers do not amaze us, it sometimes feels like you are having a conversation with an older child. During this week they focused on vegetables, sound 'i', Oliver's Garden and the numbers 0,1,2, and 3. The children really enjoyed discussing their favourite vegetables and the reason behind not liking some - their descriptions were the most adorable thing ever.

### Reception

This week in reception we have been learning about our new topic 'Celebrations'. We focused on birthdays and we learnt how to write an invitation. We learnt how to wrap presents and we used prepositions to give instructions. We also did lots of outdoor learning! We used lots of turn taking skills, sharing and waiting skills too! Miss Kong and Mrs Gillard were so proud of us!

### Year 1

Year 1 have been working so hard to learn new grammar skills like compound words and the prefix un-. They have also identified letter features ready to use them in our next writing task! In Maths, Year 1 have been using the number line to count on and back, rounding up our addition and subtraction. In Science, they have learnt about the 5 senses and the body parts associated with each sense. In History, Year 1 have learnt the events in the Great Fire of London.

### YEAR 2

In Year 2 we have been working super hard this week. In Maths we continued to look at money and were able to solve some two step problems. In English, we explored the key vocabulary and have been able to use them in our own sentences! In Science, we designed our own home using suitable materials. In Foundation, we learned about different Rivers around the world.

### Year 3

Year 3 have been solving reasoning and problem solving questions about the multiples of 4. In English lessons, we have explored the mood of our text and built descriptive sentences around nouns. In Science, the children learned how to stay safe in the sun and did an investigation using card to show the dangers. In History, we used talk for writing strategies to explain the process from pod to chocolate.

### Year 4

This week in Year 4, we have looked at factor pairs to help us calculate multiplication questions. In English, we have used our five senses to help us create a setting description based on an illustration. In History, we have learnt all about Roman soldiers and the strategies they used in battle!



## Year 5

This week in Year 5, we have been using playscripts to help us practise direct speech. We also completed tool kits for our exploration narratives, making sure to include effective writing features such as expanded noun phrases and relative clauses. In Maths, we have been subtracting fractions and mixed numbers. In Science we learned why we have a night and day cycle. In Foundation we learned about Apollo 11 and the first moon landing.

## YEAR 6

In Year 6 this week, we have been learning about different ways measuring capacity, length and mass. In English, we have been analysing an information text about ravens and considering how vocabulary influences the reader. In Art, we gave our opinions about Pop Art and had a go at creating our own Pop Art prints. In Science, we made our own 'blood' by measuring the components of blood using percentages!

## Español

Year 1: Has been learning to say the names of the fruits according to gender.

Year 2: Has been learning to say some adjectives to describe the family.

Year 3: Has been learning to describe the weather.

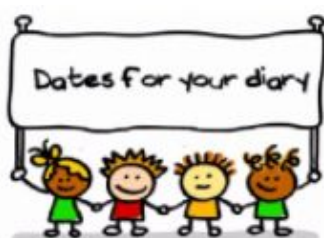
Year 4: Has been learning the part of the house according to the correct gender.

Year 5: Has been learning to say what they have in their school bag.

Year 6: Has been learning to say what they eat for breakfast, lunch and dinner using frequency adverbs.

## Music

This week Primary students have been playing music games, body percussion, drums, chime bars, ukulele and other percussion instruments. We are learning about musical notation and instruments of the orchestra (brass, percussion 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. Students practised "Rhythm in the way we walk", "Hands, feet, heart", "Good morning song", "Mamma Mia". All pupils have been practising how to sing with proper singing technique.






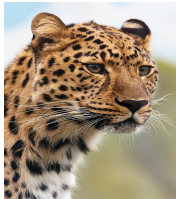
22nd/23rd/24th January- School photographs by Pret-a-Portrait (details emailed and in this letter)

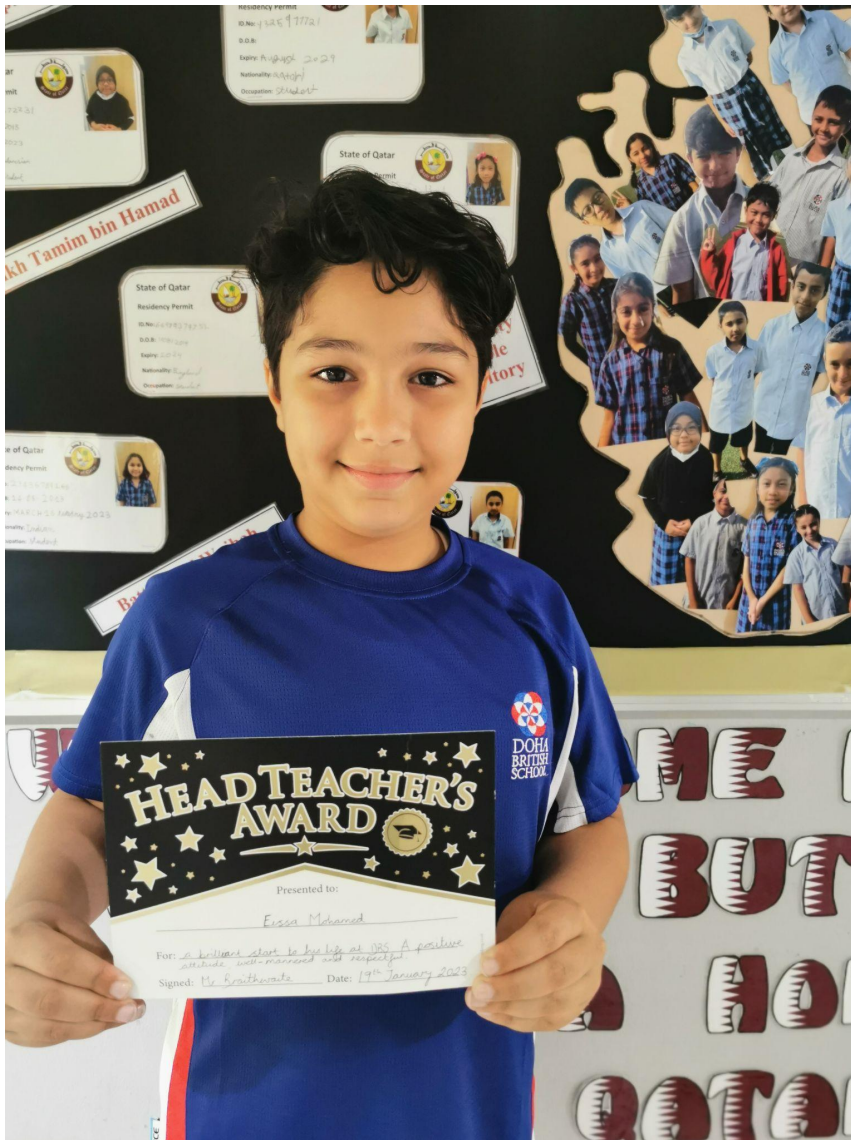
Wb. 12.2.23- Sports Week

14th February- School Closed for National Sports Day.



# Star of the Week

	Masal Atilgan		Zeina Abbas
	Arham Akthar		Khaleefah bin Nur Hageem
	Ehtesham Ul Hoque		Sultan Al-Abdulla
	Mohammed Al-Jelabi		Mohammed Al Kanji
	Shaikha Shaibani		Manha Fatima
	Arsh Sayyed		Jassim Maarouf
	Moustafa Lofty		Mysha Sayyed
	Raed Syed		Ahmed Al-Eisa
	Ashaaz Mahadi		



**Congratulations to Eissa who received this week's headteacher's award. Despite being new to the school, Eissa has impressed all of his teachers with his positive attitude, great manners and infectious smile. Congratulations.**



# CHAMPION OF THE WEEK



Year 2

Maira Zaki Ahmed



Year 5

Rida Fathima



Year 3

Mahra



Year 6

Yasmeen



Year 4

Jeya Devi





These children  
have had their  
birthday this  
week

**Mohammed Al-Marri**  
**Ishaal Khan**  
**Siyathmi Kotalawala**

## ATTENDANCE MATTERS

95% or  
above is  
expected

Between  
95%- 90%  
Below  
expected

Below 90%  
Poor  
attendance

2nd - 19th January 2023

Preschool = **87.4%** Reception = **89.2%**

Year 1 = **90.5%**

Year 2 = **92.1%**

Year 3 = **94.8%**

Year 4 = **93.4%**

Year 5 = **89.9%**

Year 6 = **93.5%**

The schedule for the three days that Pret-a-Portrait is in school is outlined below. We have put this together to avoid PE days, and children should be well-presented in clean, neat, complete and correct, full school uniforms, including black school shoes.



Pret-a-  
Portrait

Date	Class
Sunday 22nd January	Preschool B- Llama Class 3D- Hippo Class 3B- Panda Class 5B- Hummingbird Class 6D- Wolf Class 6B- Leopard Class
Monday 23rd January  Family sittings available- 1.40 pm until 2.40 pm <a href="https://dbswakrafam2023.eventbrite.co.uk">https://dbswakrafam2023.eventbrite.co.uk</a>	Reception D- Tiger Class Reception B- Koala Class 1D- Bat Class 1B- Giraffe Class 5D- Falcon Class 5S- Toucan Class
Tuesday 24th January	Preschool D- Lion Class 2D- Otter Class 2B- Camel Class 4D- Butterfly Class 4B- Penguin Class ABSENTEES



Thank You

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