

### **Primary Weekly Brief**

Week Commencing the 9th of April 2023



#### WHAT HAVE WE BEEN LEARNING THIS WEEK?



It has been a splashy week in Preschool. First, we learned what the word water pollution means. Then, we saved the sea animals by cleaning their environment using tweezers to remove the garbage. Next, we learnt the s sound in phonics and words that begin with it. Finally, in Maths, we continued to practise different ways to represent numbers up to six and ways to use our Positional Language to describe where objects are.



This week Year 1 were super busy writing non-chronological reports about their own Wild Thing! They used a range of features to describe their Wild Thing's appearance, diet and movement! Well done, superstars! Year 1 also focused on subtracting to 'find the difference' in maths. In science, we continued our project about different types of trees.



This week Year 3 started a new topic in Maths - Fractions. They have been adding fractions together to make a whole. In Foundation lessons they made promises to make small steps to help save rainforests and completed their art projects. They used their imaginations to write a conversation between 2 characters from different texts.



We have had such a busy week in Reception. In maths, we have been learning about pairs and what they are. We have also been learning about different animals and their habitats such as: woodland, jungle, farm and sea. We have been writing sentences in phonics and we learnt a new tricky word 'they'. In preparation for our play, we have been singing songs from the Gingerbread Man.



What an amazing week we have had in Year 2 this week! We have been looking at quarters and thirds in maths. We have explored writing own our paragraphs based on the King Who Banned the Dark. In Science, we have explored the life cycle of a Butterfly and a Frog. In Foundation, we looked at the Royal Residences and even created our own fact files.



Our Year 4 pupils have become authors this week in English! They dipped their pens into the magical land of fairytales and created their own twisted narratives. In Maths, they started to look at mixed numbers and can now confidently place them on a number line. In Science, we conducted an experiment on thermal insulators and plotted our data on a line graph! An honourable mention must go to the resilience children have shown during the holy month of

Ramadan. Well done Butterflies and Penguins!



Year 5 have been working hard all week! In English, we have been planning our class write survival guide for a rainforest. In Maths, we finished our perimeter and area unit. In reading, we completed another big quiz. In Geography, we continued our in-depth look at Morocco and Tanzania and their respective physical and human geography features. Finally, in art we began our full Tingtinga style paintings.



Year 1:.Has been learning about farm animals and what sound each animal makes.

Year 2: Has been learning to count to 50. Year 3: Has been learning about sports and hobbies.

Year 4 Has been learning about food. Year 5: Has been learning about the school subjects.

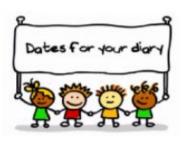
Year 6. Has been learning to buy medicines in the pharmacy.



We have had a busy week in Year 6! We have been forming expressions and solving equations in algebra. In English, we have been writing our brilliant hot tasks where our characters make a groundbreaking discovery. In Science, we looked at how plants have adapted to survive in their environments. Lastly, in Foundation, we located modern Greece on a map and identified key cities in ancient Greece.



This week Primary students have been playing Hello game, High and low game, body percussion beats, percussion instruments. We were learning musical notation, and musical elements. Students have been practising singing different melodies with SolFa hand signs. We are learning about instruments of the orchestra (brass, percussion, woodwind, and string families), listening to the sound of the instruments and trying to understand the difference.



Wednesday 19th April- Primary Spring Term reports available on parent portal.

Thursday 20th April- School closes for the Eid/Half-term break.

Sunday 30th April- School opens for the Summer term (usual hours)



## Star of the Week

Daan Bashir	Hamad Al Hajri
Riyyan Maheshwari	Yara Ali
Benztah Sundaram	Zayan Marufi
Ryaan Al-Shaikhly	Deema Mohamed
Ahyan Ibrahim	Nyle Marufi
Abdullah F Al-Jabir	Juma Al - Buainin
Ashvika Surana	Jaiveer Gill
Lama Soliman	Sarah Shoaib And Fayrouz Lotfy







Congratulations to Maytha in 2B Camel Class. Maytha has been demonstrating brilliant Motivation & Ambition by working hard to improve all areas of her learning. She has been working extra hard on her spellings and her determination is paying off.



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This year's Earth Day on the 22nd of April is while school is closed for the holidays, so I want to write about it in advance because this is an important day to many of us at DBS Wakra, children and teachers alike.

As we know, Earth, due to human activity, is in trouble. The ozone layer is depleting, ecosystems are being lost and people are starving and dying of dehydration. Endangered species are disappearing rapidly, our water and air is becoming increasingly polluted, and weather systems are being pushed to the extreme.

A scary picture indeed, but thankfully one we can all do something about! Earth Day, one of the first global initiatives to protect and conserve the earth, has become an annual event that strives for positive change on a global scale. It aims to inspire individuals, communities, businesses and governments all over the world to take action and help preserve the planet.

#### How to celebrate Earth Day

There are a whole host of activities you can get involved in to mark this important occasion, not only around the globe but even in space! The Earth Day website allows people all over the world to find and share events designed to celebrate the day, from presentations and film screenings to cleanups and conservation efforts. This means that Earth Day enthusiasts can join things local to them or on the other side of the planet! And NASA often hosts an event from the International Space Station, for example livestreaming the image of our beautiful earth for all to see.



Another great way to celebrate Earth Day is by learning about what your actions do to the environment and why maintaining the earth's ecosystems is vital to our survival. There's a myriad of online resources – articles, quizzes, documentaries and so much more – to help us all find out more about our precious planet and the role we can play in protecting it.



Above all, this occasion shouldn't just be about one day, but rather a regular habit! Even the simplest of changes to our lifestyle can make a real difference. Switch to using an eco-friendly search engine, buy fruit and veg from the shop that isn't wrapped in plastic, and put on an extra jumper rather than turning on the heating.

If you're serious about the planet, then there's plenty more you can do to live in a greener, more sustainable way, including powering your home with renewable energy, cycling and walking more and driving less (or buying an electric vehicle), reducing your meat and seafood consumption, recycling your waste, planting wildflowers in your garden for the bees and butterflies, and ensuring that your financial investments, for example, your pension fund, are contributing to green jobs and a green economy. Be sure to spread the word about National Earth Day through social media and let your friends and family know why protecting the earth is essential to you.

To find out more about earth day 2023 click the picture below to visit the website.

If you do take part in recognising this day, please, take some photographs and share them with your child's class teacher.



# Thank You