



# DISCOVERERS' EtonHouse<sup>®</sup>

Kindergarten

## CLASS NEWSLETTER

### Reminders/Upcoming Events

- ✓ The After-School Club sign-ups are now live, all the children have forms in their bags. Details of the exciting activities on offer can be found on StoryPark.

### MATHEMATICS (RECEPTION)

Reception has been working on number formation, using mathematical language (e.g. more, less, and the same), ordering and finding the missing numbers up to 20. We have also begun to talk about vocabulary such as long, short and tall. Next month we will continue to focus on number formation, number sentences and further expand on the topic of measurement.

### MATHEMATICS (YEAR 1)

In Math, Year 1 has been working on number formation, using mathematical language (e.g. more, less, and the same), ordering and recognising numbers up to 50. Next month we will be focusing on adding and subtracting 2-digit numbers and will then move on to solving one-step problems involving multiplication and division.

The Discoverers have had an amazing start to the new year, with friendships developing further and lots of learning through play and hands-on activities. As you know, we have introduced the Oxford International Curriculum which focuses on wellbeing and finding the joy in learning. In line with the curriculum, we have been focusing on the global skills of our students through six core subjects: Computing, English, Math, Science, Wellbeing and Global Skills projects.



## SCIENCE (RECEPTION AND YEAR 1)

In Science, both Reception and Year 1 has been learning about the different parts of a plant and the difference between wild and garden plants. We have also planted sunflower seeds and cannot wait for them to grow.

## COMPUTING (RECEPTION AND YEAR 1)

In Computing, we have been talking about the different parts of the computer and the function of each part and have discussed the rules for working at the computer stations. It was great to hear your stories about people you know not looking after their laptops and devices.



## LITERACY (RECEPTION AND YEAR 1)

In English, both Reception and Year 1 have been introduced the different parts of a book such as the front cover, back cover and blurb. We have even written our first ever book! Furthermore, we have been discussing the importance of signs and have made some beautiful signs for the classroom.

## PHONICS (RECEPTION AND YEAR 1)

In Phonics, Reception has been doing an excellent job blending, writing and recognising the different sounds and reading sentences. We have also introduced digraphs which are two letters that make one sound. Year 1 has been working on reading and writing words with the silent "e". We have been working on our letter formation, writing sentences and punctuating.

## GLOBAL PROJECTS (RECEPTION AND YEAR 1)

In Global Projects, we have been learning the importance of being friendly, sharing, asking questions and solving puzzles and in Well-Being, we have been discussing the importance of feeling good and activities which can help us such as sleeping well, eating healthy and exercising. We have thoroughly enjoyed all the games and discussions so far.



## ARABIC

This month we learned to count from 1 to 30 and to recognize the new year and months in Arabic. We are learning to read and write Arabic Alphabet and enjoy defying the things that start with the letters.

## FRENCH

Madame Juliane has enjoyed coming to school. In French, the children have been learning to say hello and goodbye and how are you. It has been delightful to overhear the children talking in French and it has become a firm favourite that we all look forward to.

## A message from our Executive Principal

Dear Parents,

We do hope you are keeping well and safe during this turbulent time, and I appreciate and understand how difficult it is for you and your children. EtonHouse has been making such rapid progress in all areas with staff, children and activities and we are equally frustrated not be fully open.

The staff are working extremely hard to prepare resources, activities for the children, also their planning schedules for the Virtual Learning. Hopefully we will be back to our regular school days from 21st February and we want to assure you we are always here to listen and support you if there is are any concerns.

The first week of Virtual Learning has been very busy and it is wonderful to see so many children are engaging daily. The second week of Virtual Learning is filled with many festival celebrations daily and activities. In Pre School we would really appreciate when you collect your second pack that you return the educational resource bags for us to refill thank you.

We are all here from 7am to 3pm should you need to contact us daily, be safe, take care, and have a nice weekend.

Warm Regards,

**Carol Ann Pedersen**

Executive Principal (Middle East)