



# DISCOVERERS' EtonHouse<sup>®</sup>

Kindergarten

## CLASS NEWSLETTER

### Reminders/Upcoming Events

- ✓ Beginning of Term 3 - 11th April
- ✓ Beginning of Ramadan - 13th April\*
- ✓ Earth Day - 22nd April
- ✓ Book Day - 23rd April
- ✓ World Vet Day - 25th April
- ✓ Gergaon - 27th April

We had a fantastic month of March and are so happy to have the children back at school. The children have been great learners this month and they have all comfortably settled into school routines and procedures. As always, we would like to thank the parents for their continued support.

We welcome Blake to Reception Class where he has settled in nicely with his new friends.



### MATHEMATICS (RECEPTION)

In Maths, Reception has been working on counting by 2s up to 20 and using many objects to count in 2s.

### (YEAR 1)

Year 1 have been working on counting by 2s and 5s all the way up to 100. This is tricky but we are very proud of the children's determination.

Next Steps: Children in Year 1 will be moving on to division and multiplication

**Top Tip: Use fruit and vegetables (or any household objects) to count in 2 and 5- repetition is key to mastery.**

## ENGLISH (RECEPTION)

Reception has been working on sounding out and blending Phase 3 digraphs using the Sea Topic as inspiration. The children are so proud of their work! Reception has been working on sounding out and blending Phase 3 digraphs while Year 1 has been focusing on Phase 4 and 5 phonics sounds, sentence writing and punctuation.

## (YEAR 1)

In English, the children have been learning about the difference between Fiction and Non-Fiction books. We have been focusing on the "Sea World" topic and discussing facts about sharks as well as different modes of transport that can be used across the sea. Year 1 has been focusing on Phase 4 and 5 phonics sounds, sentence writing and punctuation.

**Top Tip: ask your children to act out different sentences with different punctuation effects to reinforce the meaning created.**

## GLOBAL SKILLS AND WELLBEING

### (RECEPTION AND YEAR 1)

In Global Skills, we are learning about Rainforests. We have started to work on creating a backdrop of the rainforest which will be used for a group performance during Term 3.

In Wellbeing, we have been discussing the importance of friends and why friendship is so special. These subjects are unique to EtonHouse Bahrain and foster good relationships and firm friendships across the whole school.

#### Next Steps:

Global Skills Project- children will be curating their very own play about the Rainforest

Wellbeing- Sharing with others and discussing why family is important

**Top Tip: Discuss friendships at home by asking what makes a good friend.**



## SCIENCE (RECEPTION AND YEAR 1)

In Science, the children are learning about the different types of materials such as wood, plastic, rubber, stone and their properties. Children are able to describe what they feel, look and sound like.

**Top Tip: You can discuss everyday objects at home- ask your child what you think they are made of and extend it further by asking why. This helps children to see science as part of the world around them and encourages critical thinking.**

## ARABIC (RECEPTION AND YEAR 1)

We learned to read and write the letters ج ح خ د ذ ر ز and define things that start with each letter. We love singing the alphabet song and we know the calendar months. We recognize boy and girl, and parts of the face and body. We can distinguish our names in Arabic.

On March 21st, we celebrated Mother's Day and made a wonderful Mother's Day greeting card.

Beginning of the third term. We will learn the names of buildings and places and their contents. And the letters س ش.

Ramadan is coming soon, we will learn about Ramadan culture and make Ramadan decorations.

## FRENCH (RECEPTION AND YEAR 1)

In French the children learned colours (rouge, jaune, violet, bleu...) how to ask what your name is (comment tu t'appelles) and say "my name is..." (je m'appelle...)

They also learned some fruits Banane, fraise, pomme and watched the Hungry Caterpillar in French

