# May Newsletter 2018

Dear Parents,

Here we are in May already! As the weather is getting warmer please can you ensure that your child brings their nursery sun hat for when they are playing outside.

We will begin next week with a topic entitled 'Preparation for Ramadan'. During the week the children will engage in activities and stories connected to the theme. They will learn what Ramadan is and what it means, to those who celebrate it, all of course in an age appropriate manner. The week will culminate in a 'dress up' day on Thursday May 10th where we invite the children to come to nursery dressed in local costume. There will be a variety of activities and food tasting opportunities for the children to partake in..

We will then move on to finding out what is a river and what is a lake and what lives on it and in it crocodiles, frogs...We will then move on to finding out what is under the sea! Through all these exciting topics the children will develop their understanding of the world around question why things happen and looking at different kinds of creatures and patterns in nature.

As we move towards the end of the month we will begin looking at different forms of transport.

Splash Days will be on Thursday May 3rd, 17th and 31st. This is a lovely opportunity for the children to engage in fun interactive water play. Please send your child into Nursery with their swim suit, towel and swimming nappy if applicable!



## Dates to Remember in May

#### Thursday May 3rd

Splash Day

Children will need swimsuit/swim nappy, towel, sun cream and sunhat

#### Thursday May 10th

Children invited to dress in local traditional costume as we prepare for the Holy Month of Ramadan

## Wednesday May 16th

Ramadan likely to begin

Subject to notification from the Ministry

Timings will confirmed as soon as we are informed

Thursday May 17th

Splash Day

Thursday May 31st

Splash Day

Doctors visits to be confirmed

## Splash Day

The children will enjoy all sorts of water play. On these occasions true holistic learning takes place. The children develop their personnel, social and emotional skills along side that of gross and fine motor, mathematical and language skills. They begin to understand about the world around them, sun and water awareness and how to keep themselves safe in water and in the sun, for example, looking for the shade and making sure they only drink water from their own

water bottle. Your child will need to bring their swimsuit/swim nappy (if appropriate), towel, sun cream and sunhat.



## Drop off in the morning

Nursery opens at 7.30 am, the teachers take their class registers at 8.15 and then the day's activities begin. When children arrive after this time it can be unsettling for them and you miss the opportunity to talk to your child's class teacher. Your child is missing activities that the teachers have planned for the day which are an essential component of the curriculum. Please support your child by arriving at Nursery before 8.15 am.

## Extra-Curricular Activities

Stallions Sports Academy run class on Monday and Thursday from 12.30 - 1pm. All children over the age of two years are welcome to join.

Monday: Karate

Thursday: Football

650 AED for 10 classes plus 5% vat

Please call reception for more information/registration



# Arabic in May

This month we will be going through the following:

- Number 9 tesaa
- · Shape review all shapes
- · Colour a rainbow gous gazah
- Alphabet Letters

Review some letters

"thawb like "dress" لفظ "thawb like "dress

Letter " "Eallam like "llag"

Letter " "¿maqas like "scissors"

Our Topics

## Preparation for Ramadan:

Dress up day, Arabic dancing, Food tasting, henna

#### Under the sea and rivers and lakes

We will learn about sea and fresh water creatures

Snorkelling, caves, fish, whales and sharks, jelly fish, octopus, turtles, climate, coral, Aquariums.

#### **Transport**

Cars, planes, trains, bus, caravans.

#### Stories

Rainbow fish

Brrmm! Let's go

Transportation book

#### Songs

Fish in the sea

If you're happy and you know it in Arabic The wheels in the bus in Arabic







