



Kuwait
National
English School

Early Years Reception Themes

Sea Animals, Transportation & Habitats



2nd Term
2011-2012

What we will do
this term.

Themes

Sea Animals, Transportation

Children will continue to develop an understanding of routines, structure of daily activities and expectations.

The building blocks of learning are continued from what the children learned in Pre-school and Kindergarten. They should have a solid knowledge now of the alphabet, it's sounds and good pencil control.

Skills

- Print clearly, all the letters.
- Print 3 letter words phonetically
- Initiate organize their work time more independently.
- Begin to understand the needs of others vs. their own needs.
- Begin to communicate effectively with structured imagination.

Literacy Reading

Children will continue to develop a sound knowledge of the complete alphabet and their sounds as well as begin to blend 2 letter sounds.

Children will continue to build their vocabulary with tricky words and high usage words.

Children will be able to read short sentences.

Children will begin to understand fiction vs. non-fiction.

Literacy: Independent Reading:

> Students should always be given time to read independently both at home and at school.

Parents are encouraged to provide and supervise their children the opportunity to read a book of their choice each night. They should be given 10 minutes of quiet time where they can review the book and begin to understand the concept of words and their ability to tell a story.

This is a wonderful time for parents to build a strong bond with their child by reading the text together.

>The books should be simple and easy to understand. They should also contain simple words which are repeated, in able to reinforce the word recognition.

Literacy: Writing:

> This skill takes a lot of practice and is only acquired after the process becomes a habit.

> Children must begin to master spacing and neatness in their writing.

> Homework will be sent home a few times a week for writing practise.

Parents are encouraged to provide and supervise each night an opportunity for them to show what they did or learned.

Please Note: Students must have a large plastic file folder and a backpack large enough to carry it home each day.

Music

Music is an important part of Language acquisition.

- > Students will be learning a variety of songs this term which will make a connection of the monthly themes.
- > They will also learn to appreciate Arabic music.

Personal , Social, & Health Education

Learn Social Skills

- > Children at this time should have a good understanding of acceptable behaviour and promote the same with their peers.
- > Children will negotiate honestly and fairly to resolve issues.

Please Note: aggressive behaviour is not acceptable and parents must continually reinforce proper conflict resolution.

- > Children are on their way to becoming independent individuals. We all, as education partners must encourage independence through bathroom, eating and personal belonging care skills.

Language

Children will be given the opportunity to recognize new sounds and the variety of forms they take.

- > We will continue with phonic according to the Letters and Sounds program.

Numeracy

*Students will begin to use plus and negative to solve simple math equations.
They will learn to count to 20 forward and backward.*

Special Days and Parent Expectations

We celebrate and attempt to understand special days through the year.

Please note;

- 1st day of 2nd Term Jan 8, 2012
- Parent / Teacher Evening Jan. 16th, 17th
- Colour Blue Day, Jan. 18th,
- Trip to the Aquarium, January 24th
- National Day Feb. 24, 2012
- Prophets Birthday Feb. 15th
- Sports Day, March 13th
- March 22nd, last day of Term

Home Expectations

Parents need to help their children learn to take some responsibilities for themselves.

Please encourage and reward these actions

A reminder that children should always have a healthy meal and snack.

***Skills are taught at school but must be practiced at home !!!!!!!**

KNES

Mission Statement

All students at KNES are members of an International community. We look to help them to get to know each other then learn respect for each other.

We Aim to

- Broaden their minds to increase their knowledge in all academic subjects
- Prepare them , while they develop their knowledge to be ready to tackle different issues; human, social, cultural and scientific.
- Develop the intellectual and cognitive skills as physical, social and artistic participants
- Prepare our students to be responsible citizens, conscious not only of their rights but also of their duties as being part of our "Human Family" and to take care of our "Earth Home".

Eating Healthy foods leads to a healthy mind and body!

Please ensure that your children always have a healthy lunch and snack. !!