

Well-being:

In our second half of term one we will be focusing on how to be a good friend by sharing and taking turns. We will be learning how to regulate our emotions when we feel upset and/or angry. We will explore different emotions and the words associated with these feelings. We will be using the new emotion words as part of our morning routine to talk about how we feel. We will also be learning how to become more independent by completing simple tasks set by our teachers, and continuing to tend to our own needs such as eating and toileting.

Communication and Language:

We will continue to develop our speaking and listening skills by using simple sentences when we talk to our friends. We will be learning to take turns when having a conversation. We will be continuing to use 'Photo of the Day' to help use more descriptive language and to extend our sentences. We will be using new sentence starters such as 'I wonder' to discuss what we can see. We will also learn new vocabulary related to our topics and story books. We will practice using this vocabulary in the correct context and when re-telling a story. We will learn how to respond correctly to and ask questions of our peers and teachers.

Physical Development:

We will continue to develop our gross and fine motor skills this half term by engaging in lots of activities which encourage us to make big movements with our bodies, particularly during our PE and outdoor learning times. We will also continue to develop our fine motor skills within the classroom to help us with our pencil grip and scissor skills. We will be working hard to ensure that we are forming some of our letters correctly by using our GFS Bee Handwriting cards to help us with our letter formation.

As citizens of the UAE, we will:

Show respect to those in different roles within our community and world around us.



GFS High Performance Learning



We have really loved learning how to be a Hardworking Hedgehog. We know that to get better at something we must practice and not to give up when we find something difficult. We know it is ok to make mistakes as this helps us to learn! We will continue our High Performance Learning and will focus next on the Empathetic VAA. We will learn how to be an Empathetic Elephant in school and at home.



Let's go travelling!

Our focus for this term will be on transport and travelling. We will be looking at different types of transport and travelling to different places. We will compare different types of transport and discuss our own experiences of using these types of transport. We will observe the similarities and differences between different forms of transport, discussing our favourite and the reasons for this. We will then delve deeper into the topic to explore travelling to different places in the world. We will also celebrate the UAE National Day, Flag Day and we will learn about Diwali.



GFS Curriculum Drivers linked to the National Agenda



Enterprise and Innovation	Eco and Environment	Inclusive Communities
In FS2 we will be learning how to be enterprising children over the course of the year.	We are all children who are concerned with the environment and understanding what it means to be sustainable. We are finding different	As members of a community , we will be mindful of our treatment of each other. We will talk about how to treat the community and environment with love and respect.

Reading:

This term we will continue with Floppy's Phonics learning new sounds and common exception words. We will learn how to apply our Phonics skills to our reading when we are exploring books within our environment.

Writing:

We will put our Phonics learning into practice by applying it to our writing tasks during our self chosen activities. We will learn to write lists, labels and CVC words. We will continue to practice our name writing and letter formation.

Mathematics:

Our focus this half term will be comparing quantities and finding one more and one less than a given number. This will help to support us when we start to learn how to add and subtract. We will be learning about 2D and 3D shapes. We will have opportunities to manipulate shapes, allowing us to develop our spatial reasoning. We learn new vocabulary to help us talk about size, weight, capacity when comparing quantities and objects.

Understanding the World:

We will be building up our knowledge of the world around us. We will be exploring how transport has changed in the UAE from the past until now. We will explore different celebrations such as Flag Day, Diwali and UAE National Day. We will discuss traditions and cultures from our home countries and learn about different special festivals and events. We will learn new vocabulary linked to these topics and practice using them in the correct context.

Expressive Arts and Design:

We will continue to develop our creative skills by learning how to use tools for a purpose. We will be using different textures and materials to create different modes of transport. We will also be practicing our songs for our Winter Concert.

Opportunities for Enrichment

School	Home
We will be thinking critically about how we can use our junk modelling resources to create in the classroom	Play games with us that inspire us to use our Phonics skills such as a sound/word hunts. Encourage us to spot our common exception words in our environment.