

# The Winchester School Family Learning Newsletter (Year 1) – January 2023



Area of learning	Focus	Home activities - help your child at home.	Useful websites
Literacy	Spelling	Fold three columns on a piece of paper, and label	Long Vowel Letter ue/u-e/ew -
	To use phonic knowledge to	one column 'trace', the next 'copy' and the	Phonics song
	spell ue/ew and wh sound	last 'recall'. Write the word in the first column,	Digraph wh phonics sound
	words.	and have your child trace the letters.	Digraph wit phonics sound
		Next have your child copy the word by looking	GAME - UE SOUND
		at what he /she's just written. Finally, have your	ew' interactive spelling activity
		child folds (and hide) the first two columns and recall	
		the spelling of the word independently.	
			Question mark- punctuation
		This is another great activity to introduce a new	<u>Adjectives</u>
		digraph focus. First, give your child a card or write on	The state of the s
		a whiteboard with a word on it (which has digraphs	Blessed Seletermined = Transformed Transformed Ten
		ue/ew/wh) on the board. Next have two columns	Bravecancer-free Strong by Valiant
		drawn, one for yes and one for no. The yes column	Fighter # Market
		is for the words that have ue/ew and wh digraphs and	
		the no column is for the words that do not have the	
	Punctuation	digraphs. Give as many words to add or sort them	time connectives
	To punctuate sentences	from the given words in the yes or no column.	A Time Commentions
	with a question mark and a	Troffi the given words in the yes of no column.	Time Connectives
	full stop.		First In due course
		Agree on mime for a full stop, e.g. a stomp. Read to	In the end At first
	What	your child and every time a full stop happens in the	Just then After a while Until then
	take a take a should Tunink we should Tunink we should Tunink we should Tunink we should Tuning taking taki	sentence, stomp. Extension: draw a line in the air	Meanwhile Immediately After that
	break, for a second.	above the stomp to indicate the exclamation mark.	When Eventually In the mean time
		Change your voice to indicate that there is a	Before long After some time Once
	3 0 5	question or statement. Tell the children a story, and	

#### Grammar

To use Time connectives and adjectives in sentences.

and next because moreover also so then however as well as but furthermore later

#### Instructions

or activity.

To read and follow simple instructions.
e.g. for classroom routines
To write instructions for a game

each time they think you asked a question, they need to show the agreed mime for it / make an inquisitive facial expression/ lift a question mark card. Do the same with exclamation marks and full stops.

Create some connective flash cards. Share some sentences with blank spaces. Ask your child to use the appropriate card to make a meaningful sentence. e.g. I love to eat spinach.....it is very good for my health.

Share a picture of one of the favorite places, perhaps a vacation picture, a picture of your home, or a relative's house. Then, give them paper and ask them to write sentences describing the a place with as many **adjectives** as possible – instead of saying "There are four trees," **encourage** them to write, "There are four tall, brown trees with thick, bushy, green leaves." The goal is to include ten different adjectives in their description of the place.

If your child writes ten awesome adjectives, they can put a sticker on the description. Put the descriptions, along with the pictures, on a bulletin board in the room so that students become proud of their hard work and often see the photos of their favorite places.

**Encourage** your child to explain the instructions of any game using **time connectives**.

**Following Directions** 

How to write instructions



child



## Imaginary Worlds (Fairy Tales Stories)

To identify and discuss characters, e.g. appearance, behaviour, and qualities; to discuss how they are described in the text, and to compare characters from different stories.

To become aware of character and dialogue, e.g. by role play.

To retell stories and to plan and write their own animal story using story tables and storyboards

To notice the difference between spoken and written forms through re-telling known This is an interesting topic and children will learn more when taught in a fun way.

Children love making new things. They learn faster if they follow instructions. You could do the craft work, make cookies, build a model etc. along with your

While you are on a drive to the market or on any outing with your child, **talk** about different labels/ captions that you come across on the roads.

**Share** some ideas to reinforce the concept with your child by taking him/her to a picnic at the zoo etc.

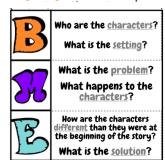
**Encourage** your child to do the activities mentioned below.

On an outing (to the park, or shopping mall) encourage your child to look around and make a list of things he/ she sees.

Cut out some pictures from a magazine and ask your child to give a suitable caption for them.

Children learn more when taught in a fun way. A rich language environment is the foundation of good learning.

#### Begining, Middle, and End



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stories and comparing oral	Games and activities that build vocabulary increase	
versions with the written text.	the range of words your child will know to write with	
	depth.	
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preferences and common	<b>ENCOURAGE</b> your child to talk about what he\she is	
themes in stories.	•	
	Prepare some flash cards of words related to the	
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	your child to give his\her own ideas.	
	<b>Encourage</b> your child to retell the story and enact	
	the story along with your child for better	
	understanding.	
	Children love role play and they learn faster when	
	they enact. This can be done at home too. Parents	
	can enact the story too which would not only motivate	
	the child but also build up their confidence.	
To recognize and know the	Share and show them the currency being used	Finding total cost
value of different denominations	in UK e.g.1p, 2p, 5p 10p, 20 and 50p. Provide	
of coins and notes.	opportunities for your child to experience shopping	
	on his/her own (under your supervision) to buy any	
	two items/fruits of his/her choice and pay for them	
	To recognize and know the value of different denominations	To compare and contrast preferences and themes in stories.  ENCOURAGE your child to talk about what he\she is going to write.  Prepare some flash cards of words related to the topic.  Motivate your child to read the words and use them in the writing piece.  Children learn a lot through role play. Character masks and other Props based on the story would help the child in retelling the story.  Story cards (these are picture cards of a story – illustrating the key events) also are a good resource and can be used for retelling.  TALK to your child about the story and discuss the characters and setting. Make it a fun activity that your child would enjoy.  SHARE your ideas and thoughts and encourage your child to give his\her own ideas.  Encourage your child to retell the story and enact the story along with your child for better understanding.  Children love role play and they learn faster when they enact. This can be done at home too. Parents can enact the story too which would not only motivate the child but also build up their confidence.  To recognize and know the value of different denominations of coins and notes.  Share and show them the currency being used in UK e.g.1p, 2p, 5p 10p, 20 and 50p. Provide opportunities for your child to experience shopping on his/her own (under your supervision) to buy any



To find the total cost and the change left.



To identify a quarter of a shape and a set of objects or numbers.

Whole, Half, Quarter





independently on your next grocery shopping trip. Encourage them to find ways to pay the amount of 10 Dirhams.

**Encourage** your child to play a supermarket game. Tag a few items at home and ask your child to find the total of 2 items (keep the prices less than 10 Dirhams) When the child finds the total, ask how much change would you aet if you paid with 20 Dirham notes? Is there a number of facts that can help you solve this problem? (Recap the number bonds 10 using pegs or spoons)

Ask your child to buy 2 or more items from the shop and find the total cost by using addition. E.g.: I buy a ball for 9 dirhams and a doll for 7 dirhams. The total cost of the toys will be 9 + 7 = 16 dirhams.

**Encourage** your child to work out the amount of change you would get from AED 20 you will pay the cashier.

E.g. 20 - 16 = 4 dirhams.

Challenge them by taking them to the nearby supermarket for a real life

**Encourage** them to use recycled paper and cut out different shapes, fold the shape into half. Remind them to make sure they have completely overlapped.

Ask your child to place the objects to be shared in the circles to find a fair way to share the items each time. Remind them to only place one item in each circle at a time. Now use four circles to find the quarter of the objects and numbers.

Money - shopping



half and quarter

fractions

3D shapes

#### Challenge:

Two monkeys ate a total of 28 nuts. Each of them ate the same number of nuts. How many nuts did each of the monkeys eat?

Encourage your child to identify and describe different 3D shapes around them. You can then discuss together how many sides, corners, faces and vertices it has. Encourage your child to build different 3D shapes using different 2D or 3D real-life objects. Further challenge them to explore and identify the properties of new shapes.

#### **Science**

#### **Animals, Including Humans**

### **Experimental** and Investigative work focuses on:

Observing and describing animals, their features, and discussing their diet.

#### **Animal Classification**

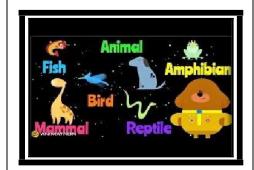
To identify and name a variety of common animals including fish, amphibians, reptiles, birds and mammals.

Explore, Research and Share information on animal classification.

Show the pictures of different animals and encourage your child to sort the animals according to their characteristics and groups.

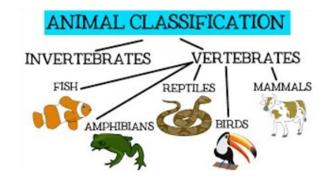
Eq: mammals – lion, bear.bat **Bird** – crow, pigeon, Also lay eggs - birds, fish, and reptiles. Warm-blooded - mammals, birds.

#### Animal classification



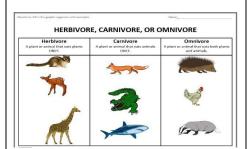
Animal characteristics

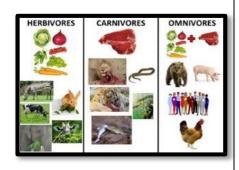
To identify and sort a variety of common animals including fish, amphibians, reptiles, birds and mammals.



#### **Animal Diet**

To identify and name a variety of common animals that are herbivores, carnivores and omnivores.





**Share** information on herbivore, carnivore and omnivore animals. Talk about their eating habits. Research with your child information on the type of teeth they have. Share information on how all have different kinds of teeth and their uses.

Also **encourage** your child to sort a variety of common animals according to their eating habits. **Explore** and **share** information on the life cycle of animals and humans. Also **explore** the different movements animals and humans have. Encourage your child to sort animals using different criteria. Eg: number of legs, movement, features etc.

Herbivore, Carnivore, Omnivore song Herbivores-Carnivores-Omnivores



Arabic for Arabs	عنبر يطير إلى القلعة البعيدة – قصة النحلة أن يحاكي التلميذ النمط في إنشاء جمل بها كلمات تحوي اللام الشمسية واللام القمرية. أن يميز التلميذ بعض الضمائر المنفصلة. أن يصف المتعلم صفه والأشخاص والأماكن المحيطة به مستخدمًا اللغة العربية أن ينشيء التلميذ جملة اسميةً صحيحةً.	مساعدة الابن من خلال جمع صور من المجتمع المحيط به ومساعدته في وصفها مستخدما الجمل الاسميه والفعلية. تصميم معجم للمفردات الجديدة مع صورها للاستعانة بها في حديثه. مساعدته في مشاهدة فيديوهات عن الجملة الضمائر المنفصلة. يمكن لولي الأمر الدخول من خلال الرابط المرفق لموقع قناة اللغة العربية والتربية الإسلامية الخاص بمدرسة ونشستر ومتابعة التسجيلات الخاصة بالدروس ومشاركتها مع التلميذ وتدوين ما تعلمه في دفتره المدرسي.	منصة عصافير للقراءة قناة اللغة العربية والتربية الإسلامية بمدرسة ونشستر
Arabic for Non-Arabs	The shape and the sound of ( و- ي ال	Encourage your child to practice writing the words he learnt at school and to draw them.  Encourage your child to practice making sentences using the verbs.  Go through the links on the Arabic and Islamic YouTube channels so that you can help your child learn more at home about the topic.	Arabic and Islamic YouTube Channel

Islamic for Non-Arabs	Allah and some of His characteristics  Learning Objective:  To explain some important characteristics about Allah. Surat ANNAS  Learning Objectives: To read the holy surah from memory. To explain the overall meaning of the Surah. To identify the behavior that indicates love for the Holy Quran.	Encourage your child to learn Surat ANNAS.  Encourage your child to learn the duas taught in class.  Go through the links on the Arabic and Islamic YouTube channels so that you can help your child learn more at home about the topic	Arabic and Islamic YouTube Channel
Islamic for Arabs	سورة الفيل أن يتلوا الطالب السورة تلاوة صحيحة أن يميز الطالب بعض صفات التوحيد أن يوضح الطالب بعض مظاهر قدرة الله . صلاتي نور حياتي أن يعدد الطالب أسماء الصلوات المفروضة. أن يبين الطالب أهمية الصلاة. أن يبين الطالب عدد ركعات الصلوات المفروضة.	يساعد ولي الأمر في التدبر في خلق السموات والأرض. حث الطالب على شكر الله تعالى على نعمه. يساعد ولي الأمر الطالب في حفظ السورة وحثه على تلاوتها في صلواته اليومية. مشاهدة فيديوهات عن قصة أصحاب الفيل. مشاهدة فيديوهات عن أركان الإسلام. يمكن لولي الأمر الدخول من خلال الرابط المرفق لموقع قناة اللغة العربية والتربية الإسلامية الخاص بمدرسة ونشستر ومتابعة التسجيلات الخاصة بالدروس ومشاركتها مع التلميذ وتدوين ما تعلمه في دفتره المدرسي.	قناة اللغة العربية والتربية الإسلامية بمدرسة ونشستر
Humanities History	<ul><li>Toys</li><li>Toys today</li><li>To explore the toys of today.</li></ul>	<b>Talk</b> to your child about how the toys we use today is different to the toys from the past.	https://www.youtube.com/watch ?v=syVHRJ-qKb4  https://www.youtube.com/watch ?v=IrjI_vaRCZQ

	Family Favourites	Share with your child the toys parents and	
	To explore the toys from the past.	grandparents used in the past.	https://www.youtube.com/watch ?v=EDAPaEVr1Hk
		<ul> <li>Encourage your child to use different sources to find out about toys from the past.</li> <li>Keywords: Toys, Favourite, today, modern, new, present, now, describe, question, source, evidence, Century, 21<sup>st</sup> Century.</li> <li>Research, past, then, before, after, old, older, 20<sup>th</sup> Century</li> </ul>	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0hA68oJkDmI
Geography	Physical and Human Geography To explore key human and physical features.	Talk to your child about the physical and human features.  Share information on the different human and physical features in the UAE and your home country.  Encourage your child to observe the human and physical features they visit. For example: beach, mountain, city, house, shop, mall, sea etc.	https://www.youtube.com/watch ?v=x0j28cQm5Y8  https://www.youtube.com/watch ?v=IdffsPVqWi0  https://www.youtube.com/watch ?v=JFqP_knBJlc

UAE Social Studies	<ul><li>To explore traditional toys.</li><li>To explore cultural folktales.</li></ul>	Talk with your child about their favourite toys.  Share with your child some old toys and new toys.  Encourage your child to gather information about toys from the past and present.	https://www.youtube.com/watch ?v=EyFNgQw_jLM&t=142s
		Talk about different folktales.  Share with your child the names of some cultural folktales they are familiar with.  Encourage your child to talk about their favourite cultural folktale with their friends and siblings.	https://www.youtube.com/watch ?v=AtLeYV5f3Lg
Sports day events and striking skills.	Learning Objective:  To understand the rules and regulations of the following sport/game and able to perform perfectly.  First Week:	Talk: Talk to them about the rules and regulations of the sport/game.	https://www.youtube.com/watch ?v=ICbt65ZwKjs
	Kicking the stationary ball: During kicking the stationary ball in football, the focus is on developing eye-leg coordination, balance and focus.  Second Week:	<ul> <li>Kicking the stationary ball with the dominating foot.</li> </ul>	<pre>https://www.youtube.com/watch ?v=Rup8mXhwCEY  www.pecentral.org</pre>
	Dribble the ball with a strong foot: During dribbling the ball with a strong foot, the focus is	<ul> <li>Encourage the children to practice the following:</li> <li>Dribbling the ball with the dominating foot.</li> <li>Dribble the ball with a non-dominating foot.</li> </ul>	https://www.youtube.com/watch ?v=DVAxX41WBgQ

	developing eye-leg coordination, balance and speed.  Third Week: Dribble the ball with both feet:	<ul> <li>Encourage the children to do the following:</li> <li>Dribbling the ball with both feet.</li> <li>Dribbling the ball with the inner and outer parts of the feet.</li> </ul>	www.pecentral.org  https://www.youtube.com/watch ?v=ICbt65ZwKjs  www.pecentral.org
	During dribbling the ball with both feet, the focus is on developing eye-leg coordination, balance and speed.  Fourth Week:  Dribble and kick the ball  During dribbling the ball with both feet, the focus is on developing eye-leg coordination, balance and speed and during kicking the ball is to develop the consistency of hitting the target.	<ul> <li>Encourage the children to do the following:</li> <li>Dribbling the ball with both feet.</li> <li>Dribble the ball, stop and kick the ball with dominating foot.</li> <li>Dribble the ball, stop and kick the ball with non- dominating foot.</li> </ul>	
Music Year 01 (Kiko)	Improving children's confidence and musicality through singing action songs.	<ul> <li>Let the children sing action songs at home.</li> <li>Ask the child to perform the songs we learned in school.</li> <li>Help the child choose which other songs they know aside from the songs taught in school and let them invent their singing actions.</li> </ul>	https://www.youtube.com/watch ?v=di8Fq2zzaWU

Music Year 01 (Joyson)	<ul> <li>Learning musical notes, only recite DO, RE, MI, FA, SO, LA, TI, DO.</li> <li>Improving children's confidence and musicality through singing action songs.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Let the children sing action songs at home.</li> <li>Ask the child to perform the songs we learned in school.</li> </ul>	<ol> <li>Recite musical notes (22) Do         Re Me - Sight Reading for         Young Beginners - YouTube</li> <li>Action song (10) Gasca Zurli -         A ram sam sam #zurli         #cantecepentrucopii - YouTube</li> <li>Happiness is Something If You         Give it Away with Lyrics (2)           Children Love to Sing -         YouTube</li> </ol>
Music Year 01 (Sunil)	Read and play Musical notes with the help of some words (Bee, Glow-worm, Butterfly and caterpillar)	<ul> <li>Let the Children play the rhythm with the help of words by clapping.         (Bee, Glow-worm, Butterfly and caterpillar)</li> <li>Ask the child how to play Music with the help of (Bee, Glow-worm, Butterfly and caterpillar) by clapping</li> </ul>	
ICT	Algorithm- Scratch junior  To develop an understanding of algorithms through scratch junior and program a character.	TALK to your child about what algorithms are; how they are implemented as programs on digital devices like a scratch junior.  ENCOURAGE your child to explore and understand that programs execute by following precise and unambiguous instructions.  Explore, Research and SHARE information explaining that an algorithm is a set of instructions. Encourage your child to program a character following the instructions on scratch.	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SdJ1lq5pvu4 https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EPyXwpzVqfk https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=s6XvwEH0xpq



**Challenge** them to choose different blocks and different algorithms for programming.