

Personal, Social and Emotional Development:

It's time to learn about looking after animals, being kind to all living creatures and taking care of pets and plants. We also start to build stronger relationships with our peers, learning how to be kind friends. We do this by playing co-operatively with our friends. We also look at our role in our community and how we can be responsible members our school and wider settings.

Communication and Language:

This term we being to understand and use 'why' questions with our peers and teachers. We practice remembering new vocabulary and using it in our play. We also start to build our imaginative play by creating stories around different toys and objects. We can include other friends in our play, creating dialogue and scenes together, respond to what each other are saying.

Physical Development:

Our focus for our fine motor skills are to be able to use tools with more control, from scissors to pens when mark making. We are also starting to develop our correct pencil grip. In gross motor we are engaging our core muscles by balancing along a variety of widths. We also practice jumping and landing safely.

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 are very proud to be one of the few schools in Dubai who have adopted HPL (High Performance Learning). As part of this, we will be focusing on the three Values, Attitudes and Attributes (VAAs) over the course of the year. This term we continue to be Empathetic Elephants, learning how to care for our environment, being concerned about our friends and collaborating with others to be responsible members of our community.



Animal Kingdom!

We explore animals that live at the zoo, underwater, and in our houses. We learn about our environment and how to take care of it. We also look back in time to learn about dinosaurs and other animals that come from eggs.



Reading:

Our special books this term include "Dear Zoo", non-fiction books about animals as well as a book all about Ramadan. We are starting to understand that print has different meanings. In phonics we're continuing to blend and segment CVC words.

Writing:

We are starting to give detailed meaning to our marks and can even copy some letters, shapes and pictures. We can draw on different surfaces, and are using our whole arm and hand to make big movements.

Mathematics:

We've have been working hard to master our numbers, and now we are discovering that they can be made up of small numbers grouped together. It's also when we extend our knowledge of patterns and start to create our own.

Understanding the World:

Our world is made up of amazing materials and this term we are going to explore them using all our senses. We start to talk about the environments in our stories and talk about changes we notice in our real-life environment. It's also a great time for us to discover animal foot-prints!

Expressive Arts and Design:

This term is all about being able to explain what we are creating and talk about how/why we are using the materials we chose.

GFS Curriculum Drivers linked to the National Agenda



Enterprise and Innovation

In FSI, we will be learning how to be **enterprising children** over the course of the year.

Eco and Environment

Recycling champion in each class ensuring that we are using the correct rubbish bins

Inclusive Communities

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.

Opportunities for Enrichment

School

This term we celebrate international day where we get to dress up in traditional clothes from our home countries.

Home

Our books will be sent home and pictures will be shared on seesaw for parents to engage with and talk to their children about when they are home.