

Personal, Social and Emotional Development:

This term we are looking at all the skills we have gained whilst growing from babies to now and all the changes. We reflect on our wonderful time in FSI and all the relationships we have developed. We learn about the transition to FS2 to get us ready for September. We are confident and outgoing with familiar people and happy to talk in front of others. During our end of year performance we develop our confidence and courage to talk in front of all our parents.

Communication and Language:

We are now confident speaking in super sentences and practicing extending our sentences using 'and' and 'because'. We are continuing to practice answering 'how?' and 'why' questions to further our learning. We are able to communicate effectively with our friends and teachers. We love to share our ideas to anticipate key events in stories and having a go at joining in with repeated phrases in stories as well as beginning to re-tell the stories we read in class.

Physical Development:

We are practicing holding our pencils and pens correctly using three fingers, a secure tripod grip. We are gaining good control whilst drawing lovely pictures in class. We are starting to form recognisable letters such as letters from our name. We are developing our agility whilst running outside and taking part in obstacle courses. We are able to use our bodies to move in different ways and are confident using tools such as scissors.

As citizens of the UAE, we respect that we each have the right to our own view and that everyone is to be respected as an individual.



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. These will be 'Hardworking Hedgehog', 'Empathetic Elephant' and 'Agile Alligator'. This term, we will be spending time learning about how to be an "Agile Alligator" and we are excited to explore the VAA's that help us to become agile thinkers.



Growing up

Our topic this term is all about growing up. We look at how much we have grown from babies to now! We explore different occupations and learn about their roles in our community, thinking about what we would like to be when we grow up. We also learn about the changes to FS2 and what it will be like.



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

We are all children who are **concerned with the environment** in FSI and will be starting to understand respect for this.

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.

Reading:

This term we are exploring lots of different non-fiction books about different occupations in our communities and all about growing plants to learn more about these. We will also read the story of "The Enormous Turnip".

Writing:

This term we will be focusing on giving clear meanings to the pictures we draw and explaining our drawings to others. We will start to add details to our pictures and begin to label them with our name.

Mathematics:

We will be comparing weight, looking at items that are heavier and lighter. Through water play we will explore capacity, filling containers full, half full and empty. Through activities we will focus on mastery of the skills we have learnt throughout our year in FSI.

Understanding the World:

As part of our 'growing up' topic we will be looking at how we have changed as we have got older. We will also be planting our own seeds and observing how they grow into plants. We will use our observation skills to notice the changes that take place and learn about what they need to grow.

Expressive Arts and Design:

We will use a range of techniques to create our own pieces of art and talk about what we have created. We will be practicing our performance skills for the end of year show.

Opportunities for Enrichment

School	Home
Using what we have learnt over the year and demonstrating these skills during our activities and creations in class.	We love to re-tell the stories we are reading in class. Encourage children to extend their sentences and explain the pictures that they draw, try labelling with their name.