

Personal, Social and Emotional Development:

We have had lots of time with our friends in school together and had the chance to form friendships with those in our classroom. We are becoming familiar with our classroom rules and routines and getting better each day. This half term we will be trying our best to work co-operatively with other children in our classrooms. We will also be looking at how we can take care of ourselves and make sure we are making healthy choices in school and at home

Communication and Language:

Communication and Language is so important in everything we do in FSI. We will be continuing to showcase our weekend news to our friends every Monday. We get to talk about past events and learn new vocabulary too. We will also introduce drama and speaking in front of our friends using different voices and incorporate actions within our play

Physical Development:

Since we started in FSI, we have been exploring different ways to move during our PE lessons which we have had once a week every Friday. We have also had the chance to stretch out of hand muscles in our playdough areas. This half term, we will be doing Squiggle Whilst You Wiggle every Friday! This will include lots of gross motor movement, dough disco, mark making opportunities and even some cutting and threading,

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 half term, we will be introducing 'Agile Alligator' We will be adding our Agile Alligator to our HPL display in class to promote and encourage independent creativity, enquiry, open mindedness and risk taking!



Around the World!

This is our topic which we will be exploring together throughout the term. We will be talking about where we come from, what different festivals we celebrate and different modes of transport that we use for travelling. We will be celebrating UAE National day and we are so excited to have our first ever winter concert.



GFS Curriculum Drivers linked to the National Agenda

Enterprise and Innovation		Eco and Environment		Inclusive Communities	
In FSI, we will be learning how to be enterprising children over the course of the year.		Recycling champion in each class ensuring that we are using the correct rubbish bins		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:

We can't wait to start looking at different stories this term such as 'Lost and found', and 'We are going on a bear hunt'. We will continue to have phonics everyday exploring instrumental sounds, body percussion and rhythm & rhyme!

Writing:

During this half term, we are focusing on building strength in our fingers, hands and arms in order to use writing tools effectively and securely. We will continue with our 'Big Write' and it makes writing so much fun!

Mathematics:

We have been super busy learning all about subitizing and shapes. Exploring, understanding, playing games and looking at shapes that we can see in our environment. This half term we will be learning about numbers 0-5—recognizing, counting and problem solving

Understanding the World:

Getting to know each other is always super exciting and we have spent lots of time looking at who is in our families and what we are good at. This half term, we will be exploring special occasions and will talk about where we come from as we are so lucky to have friends from all over the world.

Expressive Arts and Design:

As we have become more independent with our creative resources, we will be able to create so many more artistic pieces. We will be practicing for our first big performance!

Opportunities for Enrichment

School	Home
Express our creative side through our creative learning areas and demonstrate a sense of pride in what we produce.	Library books will be sent home alongside our learning story we will be reading in school to ensure a love of reading is embedded in each student