

**Newsletter for Nursery**  
**19th January 2017**



[Diary Dates](#)

Date	Event	Information
<b>Week beginning 22 January</b>	International Week	Children will travel around the school to visit different countries and take part in special activities
<b>Sunday 22 January</b>	Specialists coffee morning	All parents welcome to meet specialist teachers for an informal chat in the café 8.15am
<b>Thursday 26 January</b>	International Day Celebrations	Children to dress in National costume or colours of their National flag. Parents welcome to attend and contribute to stalls that represent their home countries
<b>Monday 30 January</b>	Open Evening for prospective parents. 5:00pm	Meet the Principal and Tour Booking required <a href="mailto:reception@amityabudhabi.ae">reception@amityabudhabi.ae</a>  <b>Please inform friends or family who may be interested in joining Amity for the next academic year.</b>
<b>Sunday 5 February</b>	Sports day Nursery & KG1 8.45am – 10.45am	Parents welcome to watch children take part in sport activities on the sports field.
<b>Sunday &amp; Monday 12-13 February</b>	Half term	School closed
<b>Sunday 26 February</b>	World Book Week	Mystery Readers – Parents invited to come in and read to the class sshh it's a surprise!

[This week](#)

In Phonics we have been focusing on playing listening games, making different frequency sounds and listening to and repeating sound patterns. In Topic, we have fully immersed ourselves into our new topic of 'Around the World.' We started off at looking at the different continents and took an 'aeroplane ride' to land at our first continent Antarctica. We have been thinking about what it would be like to live in the Polar Regions and we loved learning about Arctic animals. We also loved being able to act out exciting role-plays with our friends in the Arctic inspired 'Cold Room.'



In Maths, we enjoyed learning the names of 2D shapes! We completed activities which helped us recognise and sort shapes based on their names and properties.

## Specialists

### Arabic



This week's letter was ص (emphatic sound s). Children practiced the shape of this letter and its sound with the word صاروخ meaning rocket.

### PE

This week the children have had their lesson outside on the athletics track and have learnt a little about the concept of staying in lanes on the running track. They have also practiced relay races and tried to work with their team to complete a competition.



### Swimming



This week the children have focused on keeping their legs together when they kick. They have also practiced floating on their backs, ensuring that their eyes are looking up to the ceiling.

### Music

In Music we had lots of fun singing a selection of nursery rhymes. We then played the triangles and tambourines to Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star.



### Star of the Week (SOTW)

Well done to last week's 'Star of the Week'!

**Please note, children who received SOTW today will appear in next week's newsletter.**



Doves - Matteo



Aiden – Falcons



Salama – Kingfishers





Finley - Parrots



Hannah - Flamingos



The week ahead

We will be celebrating International Week, moving to different classes to learn about different countries around the world.



### Reminders



Children should wear their swimming suits to school on the day that they have swimming lessons (under their PE clothes). PE clothes should be worn on PE days.

**Please ensure that all your child's belongings are labelled with their name.**

When you are emailing to say your child will be absent from school, please make sure you email the **class teacher** and the **FS reception** giving the child's full name and class. Please email reception on [fsreception@amityabudhabi.ae](mailto:fsreception@amityabudhabi.ae)

If you have any questions or queries please email:

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Kind Regards,

Nursery Team