



**Newsletter for KG1  
2<sup>nd</sup> March 2017**



Diary Dates

Dates	Events	Information
<b>Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> March</b>	Beach Clean Up 9am -10am	Friends of Amity event.
<b>Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> March</b>	Open Morning for Foundation Stage parents 8.30am – 9.30am	Parents are invited to come in and see their children taking part in normal classroom activities
<b>Week Commencing Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> March</b>	Parent -Teacher Consultations	Parents will be invited to make an appointment to come into school and speak with their child's class teacher
<b>Monday 20<sup>th</sup> March</b>	Open Morning for prospective parents Meet the Principal 8:30 am Followed by Tour 9am	If you have friends or family that are interested in their children joining Amity in September. Please ask them to contact reception
<b>Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> March</b>	End of Term 2	Term 3 starts Sunday 9 <sup>th</sup> April

This week:

We have been celebrating Book Week and had the exciting opportunity to visit the Book Fair! Here, we were able to browse and buy books we loved! Over the week, we took part in plenty of fun book related activities to get into the spirit of World Book Week. Our favourite activities included going on a scavenger hunt in the library, designing and creating personalised bookmarks and writing our very own stories. Many of us were also incredibly surprised but also super excited when we discovered our mums and dads came in to read to us as 'mystery readers!' Thank you to all the parents who came in!



At the end of the week, it was great fun to dress up as our favourite book characters; everyone looked marvelous!

Our teachers also took the opportunity this week to assess our learning in all the areas we covered this term. It was great to re-cap prior learning as we showed our teachers how much we learned since January.



## Specialists

### Arabic



This week we learnt and coloured the letter Za ( ظ ) and we also learnt some words starting with the letter Za ( ظ ) E.g. (Zarf—envelope -- ظرف) –(Zofr—nail-- ظفر)  
(Zaby—Gazelle-- ظبي )

We reviewed letters from ( أ - ب - ت - ث - ج - ح - خ - د - ذ - ر - ز - س - ش - ص - ض - ط )

We recapped the Arabic Alphabet Song: <https://youtu.be/0xYy3D6zYqY>

We also learnt a new shape (Diamond\_Moaien) (معيّن)

### PE

This week the children placed a numbered clue at an object in the sports hall and then marked it onto a map. Once all the children had done this, they then used a control card to go and find all of the clues. The children performed this task really well and worked co-operatively with their peers.



### Swimming



This week the children tried to perform a new skill called 'sculling'. The emphasis was on moving the water with just their arms and was performed on their backs with the use of a noodle supporting their necks where needed.

### Music

In music this week we have started to learn a new song called 'climbing up the beanstalk.' We also learned about playing the glockenspiels then played the note 'C' as we sang 'I'm a little teapot.'



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.



**Penguins: Ollie**



**Jellyfish: Jayda**



**Turtles: Maggie**



**Starfish: Noora**



**Dolphins: Maleek**



**Lobsters: Mishall**



**Seahorses: Pablo**



**Octopus: Jack**

The week ahead

Next week, each class will resume rotating their topic boxes so we can learn about another exciting continent!

In Maths, we will look at the concept of subtraction. We will learn how to apply the skills involved in subtracting by using numicon, counters and ICT.



## Reminders



Children should wear their swimming suits to school on the day that they have swimming lessons (under their school clothes). PE clothes should be worn on PE and swimming days. All children must bring a swimming cap. **Please encourage your child to dress independently, this will help them during their swimming lessons.**

Children must bring a hat to school as we have a 'no hat, no outside play' policy. They also need to have a book bag in order to take a library or reading book home. Children must also bring to school a labelled water bottle.

Please remember that children need to bring a healthy lunchbox to school every day. Please avoid sending in cakes, crisps and chocolate – these are not permitted. We are strictly a “no nuts and no pork” school.

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)

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We hope you have a wonderful weekend!

The KG1 team ☺