

OUR SCHOOL'S VISION

Our Goal is to develop independent confident, respectful and resilient individuals with strong ethical values.

OUR SCHOOL'S MISSION

SIPS is committed to being a leading school with a positive and inclusive culture and delivers highly dynamic, progressive and personalized learning that enables students to be leaders, designers, creators and contributors in our world.



2024
Happy New Year

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DECEMBER CALENDAR



SUN	MOND	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
					1	2 52nd UAE National Day
3	4 Term 1 Summative Assessment	5 Term 1 Summative Assessment	6 Term 1 Summative Assessment	7 Term 1 Summative Assessment end	8	9
10	11 WINTER BREAK STARTS	12	13	14	15	16
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IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER:

2nd Dec- 52nd UAE National Day

7th Dec- Summative Assessment Ends

11th Dec- Winter Breaks Starts

2nd Jan- Students return to School, Term 2 Commences

JANUARY CALENDAR



SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
	1	2 SCHOOL BEGINS FOR TERM 2	3 COFFEE MORNING WITH PRIMARY PARENTS	4 PARENT READING THURSDAY	5	6
7	8	9 SUDOKU COMPETITION	10	11 SPELL BEE COMPETITION 1ST ROUND	12	13
14	15 LITERACY WEEK	16 LITERACY WEEK SPELL BEE COMPETITION 2ND ROUND	17 LITERACY WEEK	18 LITERACY WEEK POETRY RECITATION COMPETITION	19	20
21	22	23 SPELL BEE COMPETITION- FINALS	24	25 INTERNATIONAL DAY	26	27
28	29 FORMATIVE ASSESSMENT BEGINS	30	31			

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER:

- 2nd Jan- School Begins for Term 2
- 3rd Jan- Primary Parents Coffee Morning with the Head of Primary
- 4th Jan- Parent Reading Thursday
- 9th Jan- Monthly Sudoku Competition (2-6)
- 15th to 18th Jan- Literacy Week
- 18th Jan- Poetry Recitation Competition (2-6)
- 23rd Jan- Spell Bee Competition-FINALS
- 25th Jan- International Day Celebrations
- 29th Jan- Term 2 Formative Assessments begin

MESSAGE FROM THE HEAD OF PRIMARY

Dear Parents,

As we bid farewell to the vibrant hues of autumn, we find ourselves reflecting on the enriching experiences and remarkable progress that defined the month of November and are at the precipice of the culmination of Term 1. It has been a time of growth, discovery, and shared accomplishments within our school community.

Our students have exhibited commendable dedication to their studies, showcasing academic achievements that underscore their commitment to learning. From engaging classroom discussions to hands-on projects, their intellectual curiosity has been truly inspiring. We are proud of their accomplishments and look forward to nurturing their academic pursuits in the upcoming terms.



As we embark on the next phase of the academic year, we anticipate even more growth, learning, and exciting opportunities. Term 2 holds the promise of new challenges, experiences, and milestones for our students, and we are excited to continue this journey of education and discovery together.

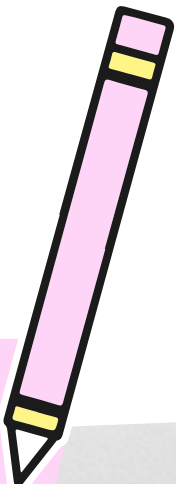
We extend our heartfelt gratitude to you, the parents, for your ongoing support and collaboration. Your involvement is instrumental in creating a positive and empowering learning environment for our students.

Wishing you all a joyful holiday season filled with warmth, laughter, and cherished moments with your loved ones.

Best regards,

Rozina Mukhia
Head of Primary

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GLIMPSE OF EVENTS- NOVEMBER

1 HANDWRITING COMPETITION

On November 7, 2023, our primary students showcased their exemplary handwriting skills in a spirited competition that brought together the artistry of penmanship and the joy of expression. The competition encouraged each child in the class to participate and demonstrate a unique flair for penmanship that reflected not only precision but also creativity. The participants were tasked with writing a selected passage that tested their control, legibility, and style.

Special Certificates were awarded to the top performers in each grade, recognizing their exceptional efforts and encouraging a continued commitment to the art of handwriting. The competition not only fostered healthy competition but also highlighted the importance of cultivating strong foundational skills in communication and self-expression.



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2 SUDOKU COMPETITION

On November 9, 2023, our primary school hosted an exhilarating Sudoku competition that encouraged students across the Primary school to showcase their logical prowess and problem-solving skills. All participants, each armed with a pen and a passion for numbers, faced a series of Sudoku puzzles ranging in difficulty. The competition aimed not only to challenge their analytical abilities but also to foster a spirit of healthy competition and camaraderie.

The winners of each section, representing different age groups, were recognized for their exceptional skills with a certificate. The competition served as a testament to the importance of promoting mathematical literacy and critical thinking skills among our students. It also provided a platform for students to embrace challenges, celebrate achievements, and foster a love for logical reasoning.



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3 UAE NATIONAL DAY

The joyous and vibrant celebration of the UAE's 52nd National Day took place on November 29th. The event was a tremendous success, filled with patriotic fervor, student performances, and a delightful funfair that brought together students, parents, and the entire SIPS family.

The heart of the celebration was the remarkable performances put on by our talented students. From traditional dances that reflected the rich cultural heritage of the UAE to stirring patriotic songs that resonated with the spirit of the nation, our students left the audience in awe.

Parents played an integral role in making the celebration even more special. Invitations were extended to all parents, and their presence added a wonderful sense of community and togetherness. The support and encouragement from parents further emphasized the significance of the occasion, creating lasting memories for both students and their families.

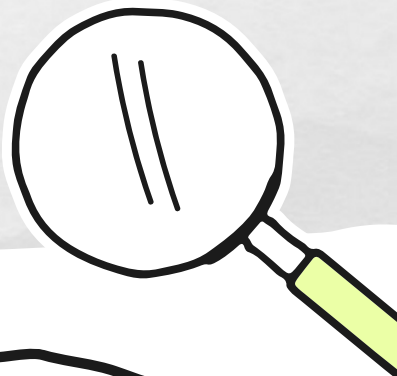
Adding an extra layer of joy to the festivities, a lively funfair was organized, offering a variety of games and activities for all. The colorful ambiance of the fair complemented the patriotic atmosphere of the day. The atmosphere throughout the day was one of pure joy and happiness. Smiles and laughter echoed across the venue as everyone came together to celebrate the UAE's 52nd National Day.




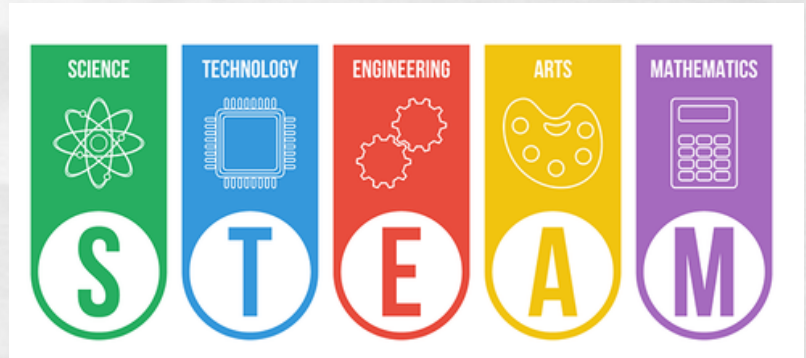
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UAE NATIONAL DAY



STEAM PROJECT-YEAR 2 TO 6



We are thrilled to share the remarkable success of the recently launched STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Mathematics) project in our Primary Department led by our dedicated STEAM Coordinator Ms.Durre Shehwar.

This initiative is aimed to integrate interdisciplinary learning, foster creativity, and enhance critical thinking skills among our young learners. The STEAM project, introduced in November 2023 is designed to provide Primary students with a holistic and hands-on approach to learning. By combining elements of science, technology, engineering, arts, and mathematics, the project aimed to inspire curiosity and cultivate a passion for innovation.

Students participated in a series of interactive workshops each week where they engaged in various STEAM activities. These sessions were crafted to be both educational and enjoyable, allowing students to explore concepts in a dynamic and practical manner.

The curriculum included several project-based learning modules, encouraging students to work collaboratively on real-world problems. From designing simple machines to creating artistic representations of scientific concepts, students showcased their creativity and problem-solving skills.

As we celebrate the success onset of the STEAM project, we are excited about the possibilities it opens for future endeavors. The passion and eagerness demonstrated by our Primary students have inspired us to continue fostering a learning environment that nurtures innovation and holistic development. This will be continued in Term 2 with greater vigor.

STEAM PROJECT-YEAR 2 TO 6



Year 3
STEAM PROJECT



Year 2
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Year 4
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READING AT ITS BEST- LIBRARY VISITS

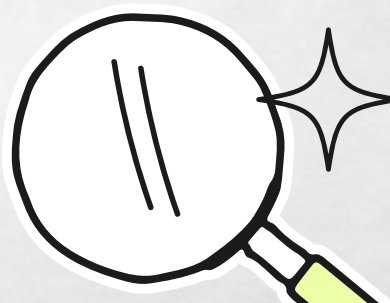
Independent reading involves students reading the books of their choice for a sustained period. The main focus is on allowing the child to read independently. This approach allows students to fully immerse themselves in their chosen books and develop a genuine love for reading, without feeling limited by specific reading levels. When students engage in independent reading, it boosts their confidence and also cultivates a positive attitude toward learning.

Why is independent reading important?

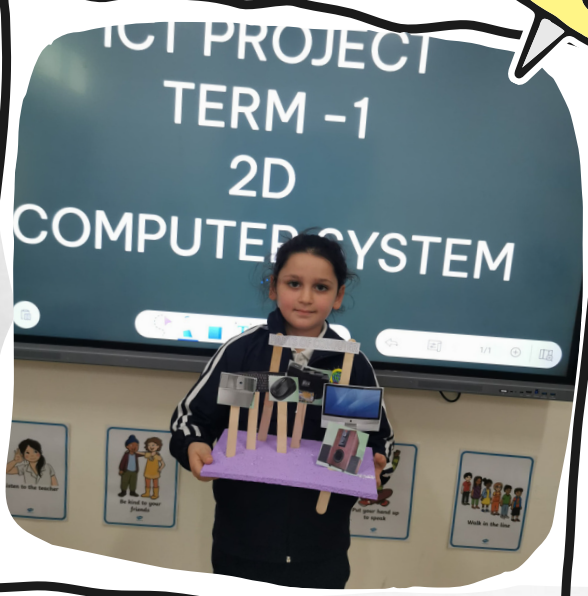
- Offers the opportunity to develop habits, attitudes, and tastes as a reader.
- Improves Overall Literacy and Reading Stamina
- Gives Students Full Control over the Reading Process
- Promotes Concentration and Improves Focus
- Provides opportunities to share thinking about books with other readers through discussion and writing about reading.
- Creates a Community Reading Culture



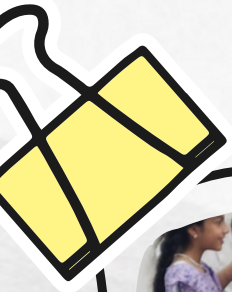
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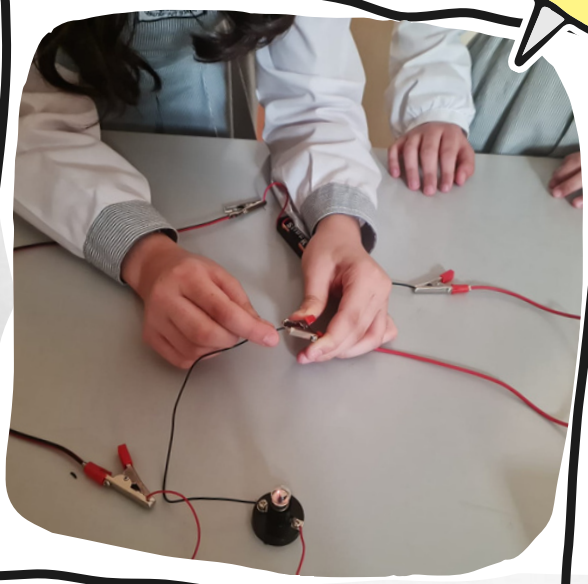
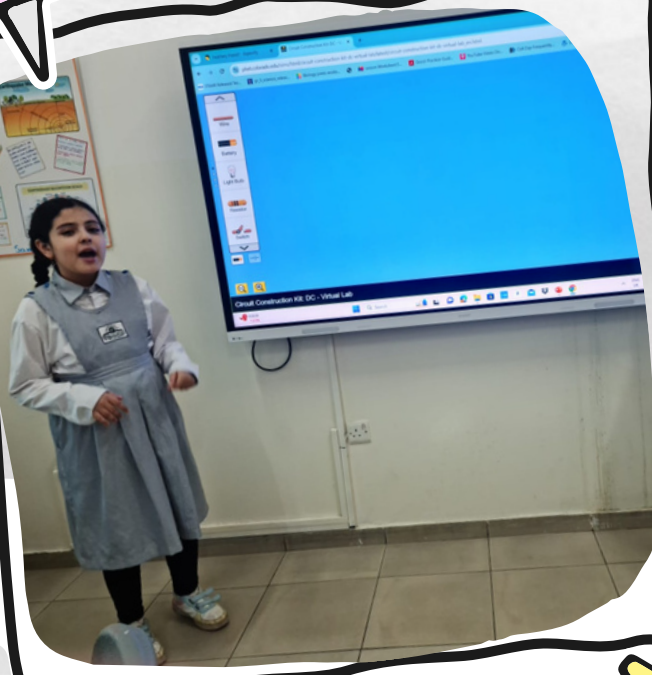
ICT PROJECT WORK



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SCIENCE HANDS ON ACTIVITIES



DAILY ASSEMBLY





PRIMARY SCHOOL ONLINE SAFETY GUIDE FOR PARENTS

Whether we like it or not, technology and the Internet are firmly fixed in our children's lives. Use of the Internet can be a wonderful thing, opening up new worlds and supporting children's learning and development in many ways, as well as being a fun way to relax and keep in touch with friends. However, we are all aware of the pitfalls and dangers of the online community, and since most of the current generation of parents grew up in the days before smartphones, we can feel a little clueless as to how best to protect our children.

Here are some ideas that will support your primary school child's safety and well-being online:

- Set up parental controls on your home broadband and all Internet-enabled devices your child has access to.
- Password-protect all accounts.
- Choose the sites your child has access to on their account.
- Make sure your child is using child-safe search engines, such as Swiggle or KidzSearch, and activate 'safe search' options on other search engines such as Google and YouTube.
- Switch devices to airplane mode when your child is playing online games. This will prevent them from accidentally making in-app purchases or contacting other players online.
- Pay close attention to the age ratings on games, apps, and films to make sure they are suitable for your child. If you would not allow your child to watch a 15-certificate film, you should not let them play a game with the same rating.
- Set your homepage to a child-friendly one.
- Keep all devices your child will use, in a high-traffic communal area in your home, such as the kitchen or living room. Be with your child when they are online and talk about what they are doing.
- Set rules for screen time and stick to them.
- Investigate safe social media sites for kids.
- Sometimes children find themselves bullying or being bullied online (also known as 'cyberbullying'). Talk to your child about being a good friend online, and how our words and actions still hurt even if we can't see a person's reaction to them.
- Talk regularly about the importance of online safety, and about what your child is getting up to online. You'll be grateful you did this, especially as your child gets older. Keeping those lines of communication open is a powerful way of letting your child know that you trust them but expect them to be honest.

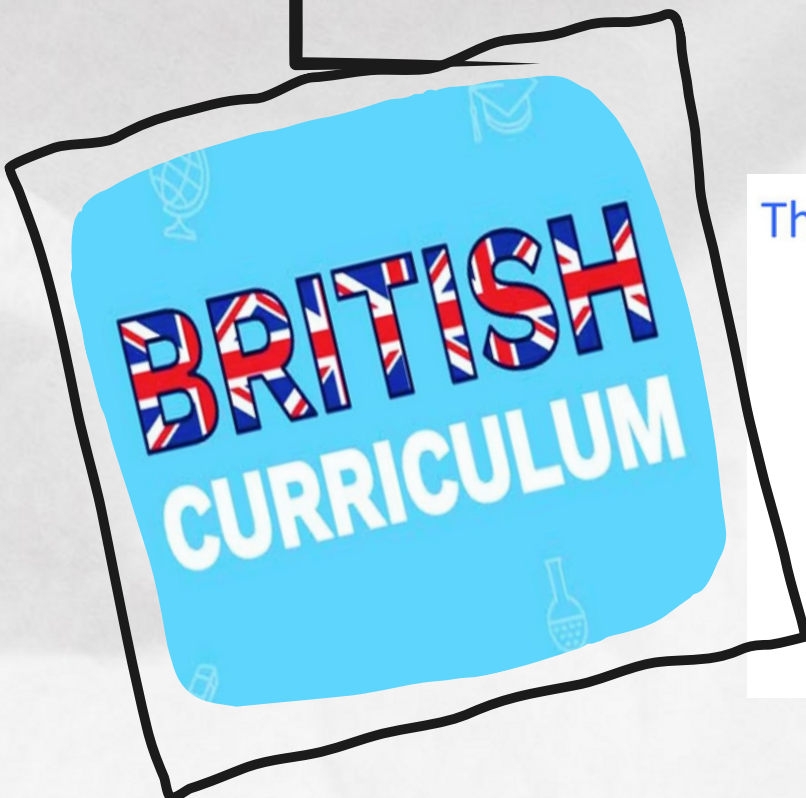
PARENTS' GUIDES TO YEAR GROUP EXPECTATIONS



The leaflets in the folders provide information for parents and carers on the end of year expectations for reading, writing and maths, in our school. The National Curriculum outlines these expectations as being the minimum requirements your child must meet in order to ensure continued progress.

We will be working towards achieving these statements throughout the year. Any extra support you can provide in helping your child to achieve these is greatly valued. If you want any support in knowing how to help your child at home please don't hesitate to talk to your child's class teacher.

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The national curriculum in England

The national curriculum provides pupils with an introduction to the essential knowledge that they need to be educated citizens. It introduces pupils to the best that has been thought and said; and helps engender an appreciation of human creativity and achievement.

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