



#### **Foundation Years**

# Newsletter

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## Thank you!





# A message from the Head of Section

Assalamu alaikom dear Foundation Years parents!

It has been another month full of collaboration, planning, reflection on feedback from parents and teachers, a month full of hard work and passion.

We personally wanted to extend our gratitude to all parents for their trust in the system we build here at ASCS Maliha. Thank you for your ongoing support, your feedback that is so important for us in order to make improvements and thank you for your overall continuous support that you provide to your children and to our teachers and teaching assistants.

But mostly we wanted to thank every single teacher, teaching assistant, bus assistant, cleaner and administrator for staying resilient in these challenging times. Thank you all for not giving up, thank you for looking for the best teaching and learning strategies that are applicable in the current situation, thank you for giving up your own family time, your weekends and evenings for our students and our school. Your commitment to what you do is applausable.

"Together we can"

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#### October overview

The month of October is over, and here are some Foundation Years Department highlights.

- Progress Monitoring: Face to Face (F2F) and Distance Learning (DL)students took their first progress assessments to measure the level of attainment at the current time. These assessments help our teachers to place students into specific groups for individualized and differentiated instruction. Another progress assessment will take place by the end of Semester 1.
- Color day Celebrations: Our KG1 and KG2 students engaged in different 'Color Day' celebrations by wearing their a favorite outfit with the color celebrated, and engaging in different fun activities that help them learn more about colors.
- Adjusting to the 'New Normal' Our teachers have been working very hard to adjust their best learning practices to the new "normal" where in class everyone makes sure that items are sanitized, students wash their hands often, and everyone takes extra care to ensure health and safety of the whole school community.
- Our administrators are working alongside our teachers to provide feedback on their teaching practices and together they work on maximizing student learning experience.

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## Upcoming Events:

| When                                 | Who                   | What  |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------------|---|
| November 1 <sup>st</sup> , 2020      | PTA Parents and Staff | Parent Teacher Association –  1 <sup>st</sup> Virtual Meeting on MS Teams |
| November 3 <sup>rd,</sup> 2020       | School wide           | UAE Flag Day<br>Celebration   |
| End of November (TBC)                | All Grade 1 Students  | STEAM Week Projects   |
| Mid November (Dates to be confirmed) | KG1, KG2, Grade 1     | Parent Teacher<br>Meetings  |
| Nov 5 <sup>th</sup> , 2020           | KG1                   | Black and Yellow Day  |
| Nov 12 <sup>th</sup> , 2020          | KG1                   | Occupations Day   |
| Nov 19 <sup>th</sup> , 2020          | KG1, KG2, Grade 1     | World Child's Day   |
| November 30 <sup>th</sup> , 2020     | School Wide           | Martyrs' Day  |



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### Photo Gallery:













### KG and Grade 1 Class Activities











