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10th October 2021

A message from our Principal

Dear Parents,

We are now really settled into the new way of working and across the school we have seen some amazing learning this week – from collage in FS, space and new technology in year five and tricky mathematical estimation in year eight – we are seeing amazing learning all over the school.



We know how serious the risk of Covid 19 is and that is why we are taking the rules of the re-opening plan very seriously and we thank families for their support too. In school we are well trained and prepared for a range of scenarios but please, if there is any case of Covid in your family please email covidcommunication@reachbritishschool.com and we will advise you of the next course of action.

Finally, please remember that school is closed from 15th October for midterm break.

World Teacher's Day

On 5th of October, the World celebrates all the wonderful and amazing teachers who works hard to help and inspire every young minds to be the best person they can be.

At Reach, our teachers are our pride and strength. We appreciate their dedication and passion to every student's future.

To show our gratitude for their hard work, International Schools Partnership (ISP) sent a sweet surprise.. We are also grateful for our students who remembered their teachers on this special day.





















Nursery/FS1 Learning

Welcome to all our new Nursery Students.

With great pride and joy, we were able to welcome our Nursery students into our Reach British Nursery Setting this September.

All the teachers were prepared with their new PPE clothing and ready to meet and receive our new students safely.

The Nursery Team is incredibly proud of all our students who put on their bravest faces to come to school, and although they had to say goodbye at the door, very few tears were shed. Well done!

We would also like to thank very cooperative parents who contributed to the smooth transition between home and school despite the fact that it has been challenging to have our under 12 year students undergo the necessary PCR testing required.

Whilst settling in, our Nursery students learned 'All About Being Healthy and Safe'. Discussions and activities included how to wash your hands for 20 seconds, staying safe within our 'bubbles' and having healthy habits like good hygiene, getting enough sleep, eating healthy, exercise and drinking water. To end our theme, we learn about the doctor, hospital, nurse and visiting the dentist. In Maths, we discovered patterns and learned that a circle is a round shape consisting of one line.

Finally, we found how easily germs spread when we did the 'glitter germ' experiment.













Fantastic first few weeks in our FS2 Department!





What a fantastic first few weeks in FS 2! The children were all amazing at adapting to their new classroom and routine, we are so proud of them! All of our FS 2 students settled in well and routines are established. New friendships are formed and the students spend a happy day at school.

We have a busy day at school with lots of fun activities linking to our theme "Marvelous Me!".

Most of the FS2 students were very brave as well to get their PCR tests done at school.















In FS 2, our theme was "Marvellous Me". We had great fun discovering our different body parts, learning to draw ourselves and noticing that we are all unique and different.

As part of our theme, we talked about our five senses and linking them to our colour of the week. For yellow, we touched, smelled and tasted some sour lemons...some FS 2 students enjoyed the sour lemons and asked for more! We explored with red jelly, orange oranges, cut into half to make a circle and then into quarters to discover a semi-circle. We had a funfilled learning!





Primary Students doing experiments in the Science Lab

Year 3 students have been learning about Working Scientifically throughout the half term. The students used their skills of following procedures, measuring and recording data to make Elephant Toothpaste.



Year 5 students have been learning about Working Scientifically throughout the half term. They are conducting an experiment: Will water freeze without using a freezer? (Instant Water Freeze) The students describe the different variables and at the end of the experiment, determine what they could do differently as we were not very successful.



Swimming lesson is now back!

We have made a splash this month! As part of our specialised Physical Education Program, swimming classes have returned and we cannot contain our excitement. Our students were thrilled to be back in the swimming pools for the first time in over a year. Our teachers were delighted to see so many happy faces and confident children back in the pool.



Y1 Engineers built their own playgrounds

Our Y1 students became Engineers this month! They had a great time exploring playground designs and kits and built their ownswings.



Y12 Oryx dissecting a mammalian heart

Our Year 12 students have been very focused operating a dissection to a mammalian heart to identify the major blood vessels.

















Fun Learning in our Food Technology Centre

There has been some amazing learning happening in our Food Technology lab this month! The smell of delicious and nutritional bakes has filled the secondary corridors.

Food Technology is a newly launched curriculum in our Secondary school giving our students the opportunity to explore and be creative in the kitchen.

Students are developing skills in a range of cooking processes and learning how to select and prepare ingredients, all whilst using our new state of the art equipment.

























Y9 student participated in the "Noom Project by Art Dubai

Our Y9 students had a great opportunity taking part in the 'Noom Project' organised by Art Dubai. In this creative, fun and innovative art workshop, our students were able to create an alternative living habitat on a fictional version of our Moon.

The workshop allowed our students to examine ideas and hypothetically explore how a new society could be constructed, using techniques to deconstruct bound aries to generate imaginary, intuitive and innovative objects.

Take a look at the amazing living habitat created by our students.









































Expo 2020 News

How cool is this! EXPO PASSPORT





Students can customize their Expo visit by purchasing an Expo passport watch video

They can get it stamped at all the pavilions they visit during the school trip. We are expected to visit Expo in term 2 as we are still waiting on ADEK approval.







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Reminder to all students

Only eligible tutor groups will be able to visit, the condition is the tutor group will need to collect 2000 dojos as a collective by the end of term 1

That is 3 class dojos a week per student.

GL-CAT4 Assessments-Year 3, 5, 7 and 9

All students in Year 3, 5, 7 and 9 are in the process of completing their GL CAT4 assessments.

Students at Reach write these assessments in Term 1 when they are in these year group and will continue writing it every two years. Students currently in Year 3 will write the assessments this year and again when they are in Year 5 etc. Students cannot prepare for these assessments due to the fact that it is a Cognitive Ability Test.

The data that these assessments provide are being used by the school's leadership, subject teachers in Secondary and classroom teachers in Primary. The individual student results are used to plan teaching and learning for students and to track their progress at Reach British School over time. It further helps us to understand students' wider abilities, personalise their learning experience and support conversations with students and parents.

More information about the CAT 4 GL Assessments can be found at the following web address:

https://www.gl-assessment.co.uk/products/cognitive-abilities-test-cat4/

Mr. Johannes Bodenstein (Vice-Principal) will be hosting a GL CAT4 information sessions for parents towards the end of October. The aim of the session will be to help parents understand how the school uses the data to support students on their learning journey at Reach. If you have any questions in relation to this assessment, you will find the information session very useful.

Due to an increased high demand, we are opening new classes in FS1 and Year 1

For more information, send an email to admissions@reachbritishschool.com



