

GEMS WESTMINSTER SCHOOL, SHARJAH



Newsletter Issue #28
25th April, 2024



Message from the
Principal/CEO
Ms. Valerie Thompson

Dear WSS Parents,

Welcome Back!

It was wonderful to open our school doors on Thursday 25/4/24 to welcome our children back to school after being online DL for some time due to the flooding & road closure. We hope that all our

families are fine & well.

Normal F2F classes will resume on Monday 29/4/24.

Term 3 Fees

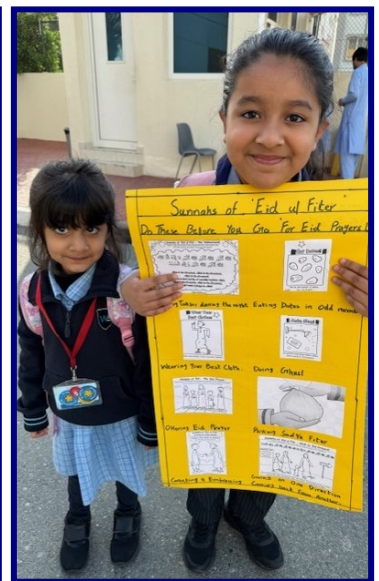
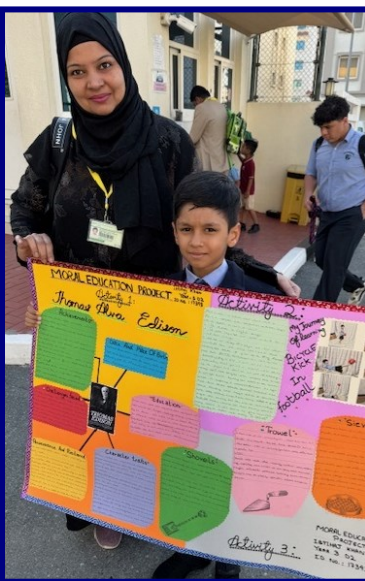
While I hate to have to bring up fees at this time, I need to share that we have over 9 million AED pending in T3 fees. Since our only income is from fees, obviously this is a critical issue for our operations & salary payment. Many thanks to those parents who have cleared T3 fees—this is highly appreciated. However, if you have not yet cleared T3 fees, please do so at the earliest. Many thanks.



Date	Details
Sunday 28/4/24	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9am-1:30pm; T2 Report Parent-Teacher Meeting (PTM) (subject to clearance of T2 fees). Children may attend with you to meet the Teachers along with parents in smart school uniform. Thank you.
Thurs 2/5/24	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Deadline to pay the re-enrollment fee to reserve seats for September is Thurs. 2nd May. Regardless of any system-generated email, the re-enrollment fee is non-refundable for any reason, as per the Sharjah Authority Circular. Please note that any un-booked/unpaid seats would be given to the Waiting List.
Sunday 21/4/24	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9am-1:30pm; F2F T2 Report PTM
Mon. 3/6/24 to Thurs. 13/6/23	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> T3 Final, in-school compulsory promotional exams. (subject to SPEA approval & change).

SPEA's Daleel 2 Registration

If you have not yet registered your children on SPEA's Daleel 2 system, this is required. Please see p4 for guidance. Thank you.



Our Vision; 'Excellence Through Teamwork; Success For All'

مدرسة جيمس ويستمينستر الشارقة



النشرة الإخبارية رقم # 28
25 أبريل 2024



رسالة من
المديرة / الرئيس التنفيذي
السيدة فاليري تومسون

أولياء أمور مدرسة جيمس ويستمينستر
الشارقة الأعزاء،

مرحبًا بعودتك!

لقد كان من الرائع أن نفتح أبواب مدرستنا
يوم الخميس 25/4/24 للترحيب بعودة
أطفالنا إلى المدرسة بعد أن كانوا متصلين
بالإنترنت لبعض الوقت بسبب الفيضانات
وإغلاق الطرق. ونتمنى أن تكون جميع
عائلاتنا بخير وبصحة جيدة.

سيتم استئناف دروس F2F العادية يوم الاثنين 29/4/24.



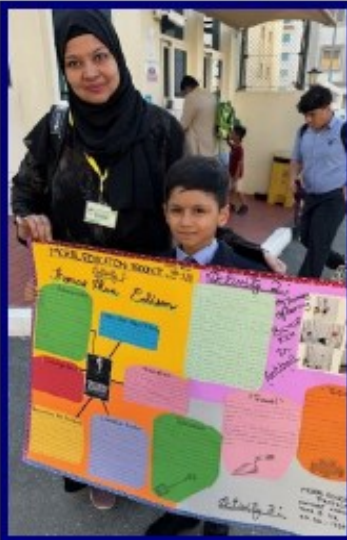
رسوم الفصل الدراسي الثالث

على الرغم من أنني أكره أن أضطر إلى
رفع الرسوم في هذا الوقت، إلا أنني أريد
أن أشارككم أن لدينا أكثر من 9 ملايين
درهم إماراتي معلقة كرسوم T3.

وبما أن دخلنا الوحيد يأتي من الرسوم،
فمن الواضح أن هذه مشكلة بالغة
الأهمية لعمليتنا ودفع الرواتب. شكرًا
جزيلًا للأباء والأمهات الذين قاموا بسداد
رسوم T3 - وهذا موضع تقدير كبير.
ومع ذلك، إذا لم تقم بعد بتسوية رسوم
T3، فيرجى القيام بذلك في أقرب وقت
ممكن. تشكرات.

المواعيد

التفاصيل	التاريخ
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9 صباحًا - 1:30 ظهرًا: تقرير T2 عن اجتماع أولياء الأمور والمعلمين (PTM) يخضع لتصفية رسوم (T2). يمكن للأطفال الحضور معك لمقابلة المعلم مع أولياء الأمور بالزي المدرسي الذكي. شكرًا لك. 	الأحد 28/4/24
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> آخر موعد لدفع رسوم إعادة القيد لحجز المقاعد لشهر سبتمبر هو يوم الخميس 2 مايو. بغض النظر عن أي بريد إلكتروني يصدره النظام، فإن رسوم إعادة التسجيل غير قابلة للاسترداد لأي سبب من الأسباب، وفقًا لتعميم هيئة الشارقة. يرجى ملاحظة أنه سيتم منح أي مقاعد غير محجوزة/غير مدفوعة الأجر إلى قائمة الانتظار. 	الخميس 2/5/24
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9 صباحًا - 1:30 ظهرًا: تقرير PTM T2 	الأحد 21/4/24
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> T3 النهائي، الامتحانات الترويجية الإيجابية داخل المدرسة. (تخضع لموافقة SPEA وتغييرها). 	الاثنين 6/3/24 إلى الخميس 13/6/23



رؤيتنا؛ "التميز من خلال العمل الجماعي؛ نجاح للجميع"

The most important gifts you can give your child are a **quality education** and the **values** that will guide them through life

Sunny Varkey

Whole School News

Newsletter Contents

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Find our updated **Parent Handbook** through this QR code. Check-out school policies & procedures to be familiar & comfortable with our system.



Whole School News; SPEA's Daleel 2—Important Message!

The Sharjah Private Education Authority's Student Registration system has been updated into a new system for registering students in the Emirate of Sharjah, which is called 'Daleel 2'.

- All students must now be registered by their parent/Guardian.
- All WSS parents are required to register their children via the SPEA Daleel 2 system, to be completed before the end of the month of April.
- If you have not yet Registered your child on Daleel 2, please:

1. Access the following link:

<https://daleel.spea.shj.ae/>

2. Download the Parent/Guardian's digital ID so that you can register the student on the system

3. Follow the steps detailed below.

Note that registration is mandatory for all students to be able to extract any student-related documents from the SPEA system in future.

Thank you.

Subject: Registering your Child on SPEA's Daleel 2

Please try to follow the following steps:

- To register your children please **log in through your UAE PASS** via the link below & follow these simple steps.
- These steps are applicable for all students. <https://daleel.spea.shj.ae/auth/login>

1- Click on '**Sign in with UAE PASS**'.

2- Click on '**Add new son**'. (*this means a new child, either boy OR girl*)

3- Choose child with nationality (*this means with Emirates ID*)

4- Fill the student's information in the fields with red star* - Identification number (*EID number of the student*) - Relevance (*father or mother can register through their own UAE Pass.*) – Religion

5- Attach the following documents - Identity photo (a clear copy of the student's EID). - Photo (With white background) - Birth certificate (You can add the passport copy or EID copy again if you don't have access to the birth certificate).

6- Click on '**Save**'.

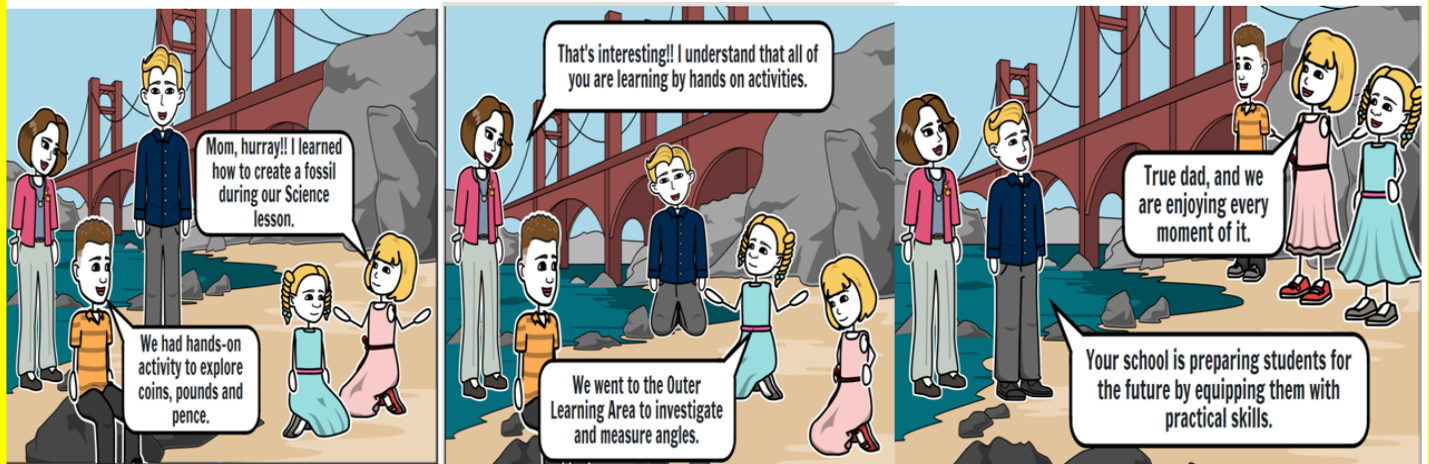
7- You will receive this message, "*This child is registered for another guardian. do you need to send a request to relink the child to you?*" - Click on '**Yes, I'm sure**'.

8- Do the same steps for each child.

9- The request will be sent to the school & you can see the status of the application in the same page below.

Whole School News; Storyboard Top Tips!

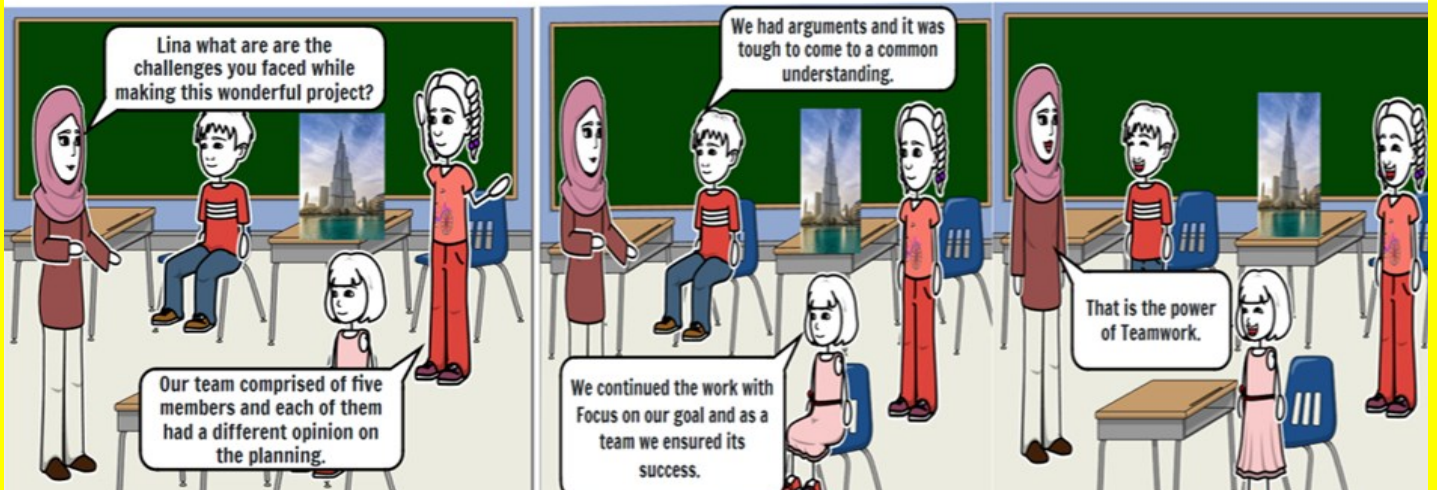
Preparing students for their future



WSS Code of Conduct for Students



Teamwork



WSS Superstar Champions!

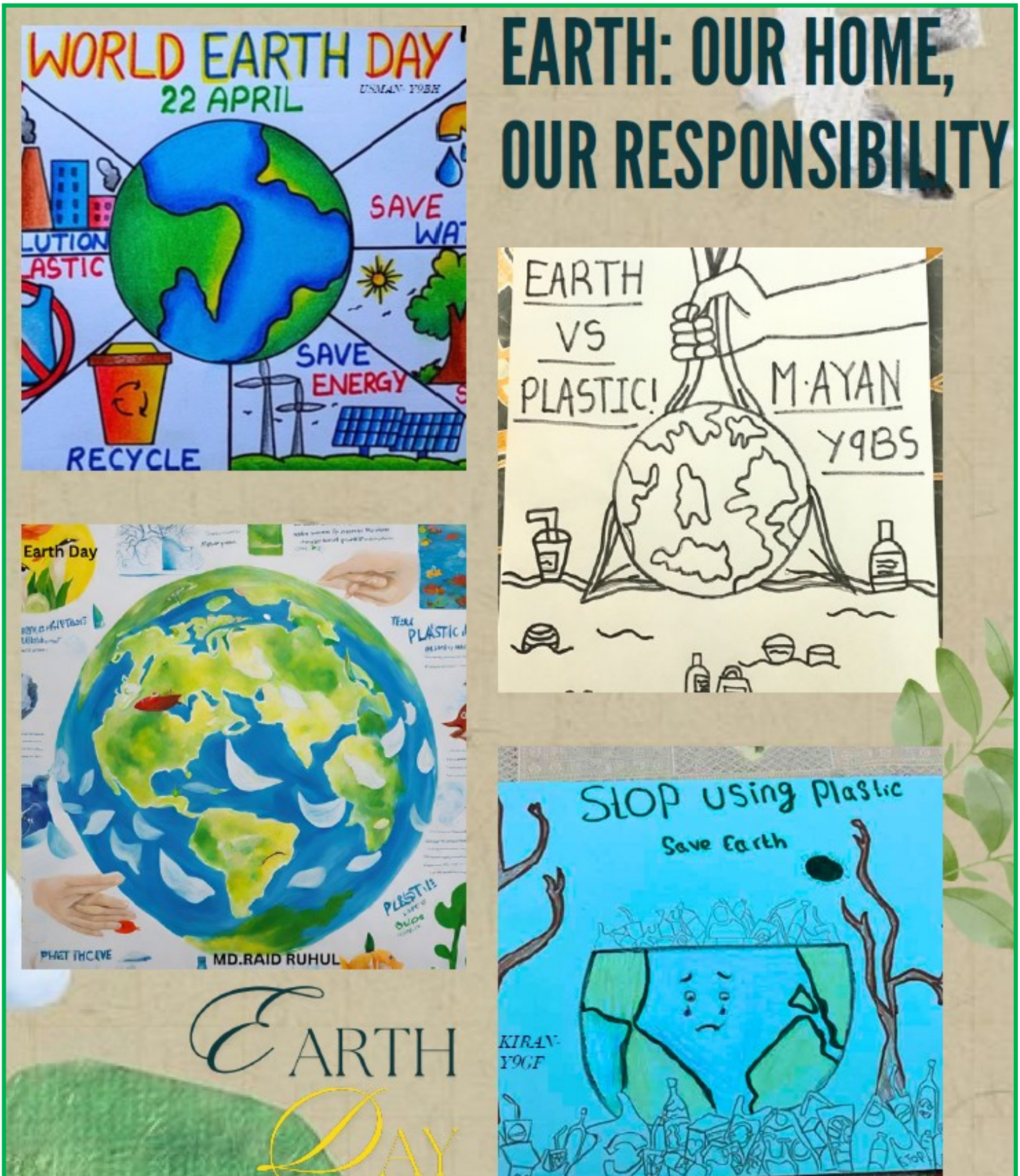


A huge 'Thank you' to our very own WSS Superheroes—some of the team who have been working long hours getting the school ready to reopen.



Excellence through teamwork, success for all

Environment & Sustainability Superstar Champions!



Wonderful posters made by WSS students as part of a Sustainability Poster-Making Competition.

Environment & Sustainability Superstar Champions!

Think Before you Drink.

On an average, only 10% of water bottles are actually recycled. The other 90% winds up in the landfill or littering the environment.... That really pisses me off.

Use reusable grocery bags.

FARI Y9/D

FROM TRASH TO TREASURE: TURNING THE TIDE ON PLASTIC POLLUTION!

The earth is what we all have in common.

-Wendell Berry

BADR Y9/S

Planet Vs. Plastics
World Earth Day 2024

Discharge of plastics:

Pollution: Plastic pollution is a major problem in our oceans and waterways because it is not biodegradable, meaning they can persist in the environment for hundreds of years. This leads to the accumulation of plastic waste in landfills, oceans, rivers, and other natural habitats. Animals ingest or become entangled in plastic debris, leading to injury or death.

Toxicity: Plastics contain additives and chemicals such as phthalates and bisphenol A (BPA), which can leach into soil and water, contaminating these resources and potentially causing harm to wildlife and humans.

Green and Marine Life Plastic: Plastic waste finds its way into rivers and eventually the ocean, where it poses a threat to marine life. Microplastic-sized plastic particles formed from the breakdown of larger plastic items are ingested by marine organisms, potentially entering the food chain and impacting larger predators, including humans.

Climate Change: The production of plastic relies heavily on fossil fuels like oil and natural gas, contributing to greenhouse gas emissions and accelerating climate change. Additionally, the incineration of plastic waste releases harmful gases into the atmosphere.

World Earth Day underscores the stark contrast between plastic consumption and the health of the planet. Plastic pollution poses a significant threat to ecosystems, wildlife, and human health, emphasizing the urgent need to reduce, reuse, and recycle plastic to preserve our environment for future generations.

PLANET VS. PLASTICS
EARTH DAY 2024

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13 CLIMATE ACTION

-MUHAMMAD HAMZA-
EARTH DAY
22 APRIL

Y9BD1

Plastic Pollution is Really Bad For The Planet. It Hurts Animals And Messes Up Our Water. To Help, We Need To Tell Everyone In Our School About It. We Can Use Less Plastic By Using Things We Can Use Again, Like Water Bottles And Bags. We Should Recycle More.

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Whole School News; Staff CPD!



Our dedicated Learning Coach Ms. Christine is working with the team to share expertise throughout the school through a Peer Mentoring Programme. Teachers & leaders are working closely with colleagues to share best practice & support professional development.

WSS Superstar Champions!

Dear Ms. Valene,

Thank you for facilitating such a positive online learning environment during these adverse weather conditions. We are indeed obliged for your efforts and support to make online classes effective. My son looks forward to his online sessions and eagerly participates in activities. We are content with his progress and your diligence once again is commendable.

Furthermore, I would like to take a moment to appreciate the patience and dedication Ms. Kishwar and Ms. Krishna have shown in ensuring a smooth transition from face to face to remote learning. We are extremely impressed and grateful for the seamless functioning of online lessons being delivered despite encountering challenges like maintaining discipline, engaging students, assessing their learning, time management and trying to balance teaching with their own family life. I really appreciate the way both the teachers have stepped up, for I know how much effort and preparation it takes for an online session with such young children. They are engaged throughout and wait for the class, which itself is such a positive sign. We are glad that our son has a mentor like Ms. Kishwar and appreciate her wisdom and the way she has been guiding him. Online classes have been very interactive, Ms. Kishwar and Ms. Krishna ensure every child participates and answers the questions which in turn makes the child attentive, my son Ismail has easily adapted to the new platform learning, all because the teachers have made it fun to understand. Special thanks to Ms. Kishwar for her continuous efforts and dedication in remote learning sessions. It surely reflects the kind of hard work, time and energy she is putting in preparing such an interactive class for kids.

God bless WSS for having such amazing teachers!

Best Regards,

Anisa (mother of Syed Ismail/ Syed Adam)

Whole School News; Values, Kindness & Character!

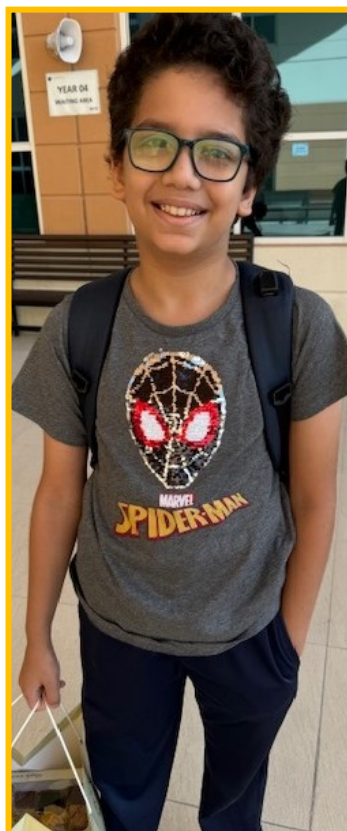
Token of ❤️



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Happy Birthdays!



WSS Junior Section Superstar Champions!



Congratulations to superstar swimming champion Mahmoud (YHI)!



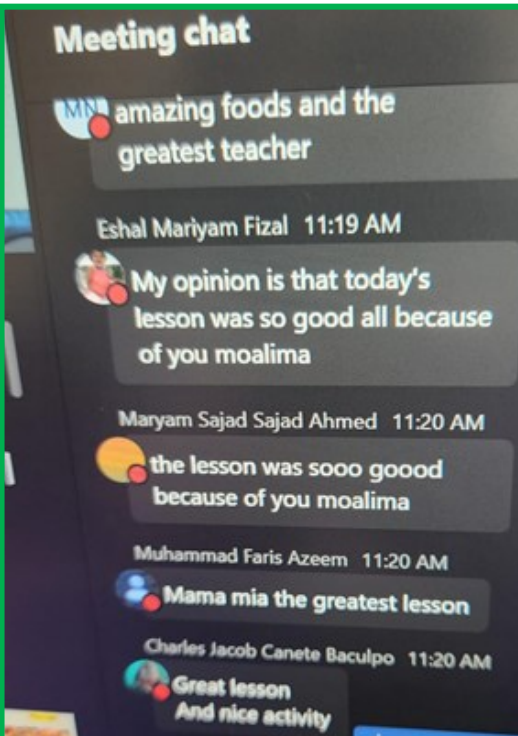
Noted With Thanks And Appreciate your efforts alot

Ma Sha Allah how you are maintaining the Online discipline wth the kids and gving chance and looking each and every child giving everyone same priority and Top on all the way of your teaching is very good.

Keep it up and Wish you always very best of Luck.

Thanks and best regards,
Parent of Haya

Appreciation for Ms. Miada's fun lesson on healthy eating to support our Healthy Lifestuyles policy & student wellbeing.



Subject: Re: Guided Reading

Good evening

Thank you for organizing the wonderful class. I know how difficult it is to deal with this age from a distance. I appreciate your effort and thank you with all my heart for this effort.

Thank you

Thank you Ms. Alezey & dear parent!

Junior Section News



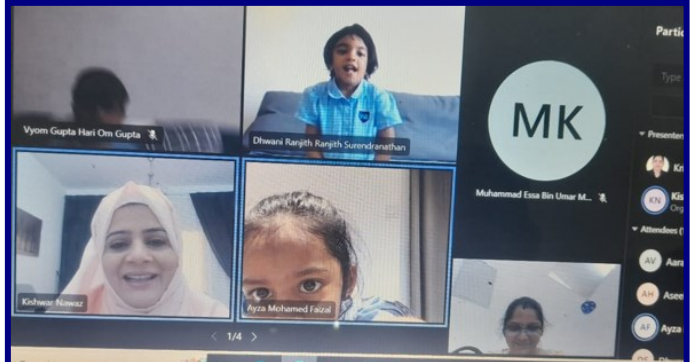
Junior Section News: FS1 Learning Activities!



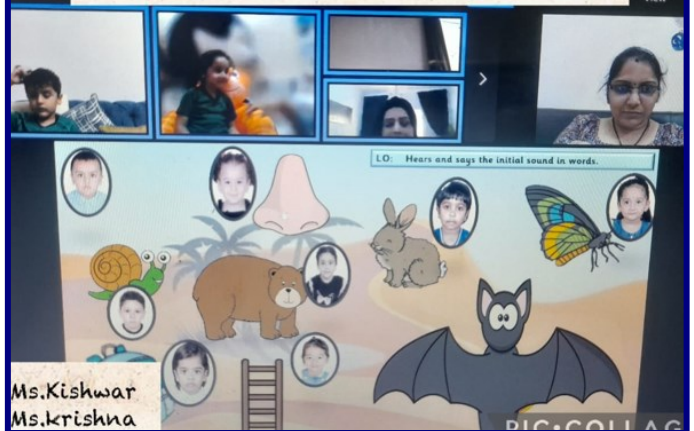
FS 1 busy with classroom activities!



Ms.Kishwar
Ms.krishna



DL Session of FS 1 H !



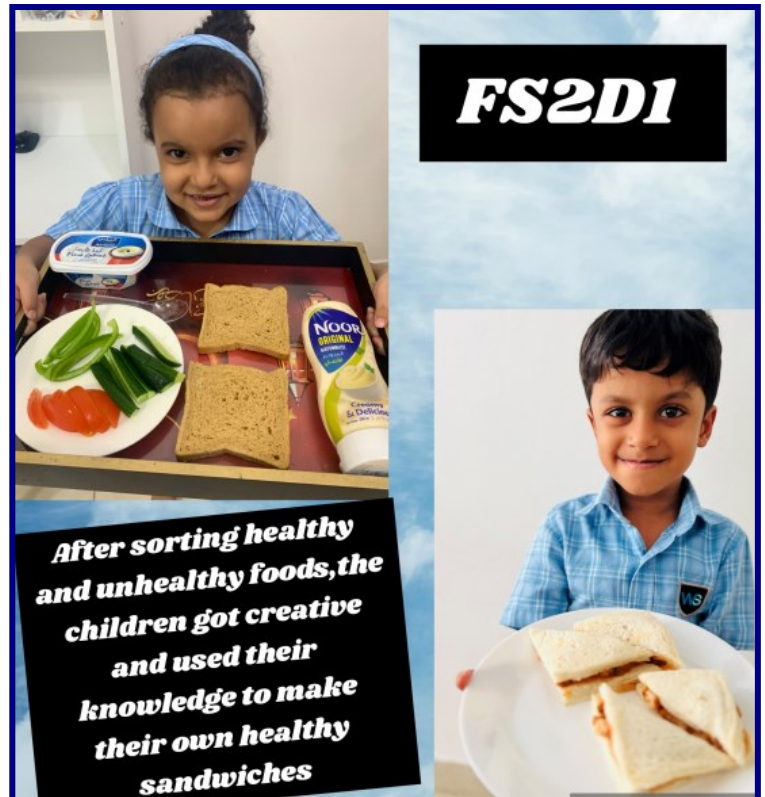
Ms.Kishwar
Ms.krishna



JAM Session in FS 1 H!

Ms.Kishwar

Junior Section News: FS2D1 Learning Activities!

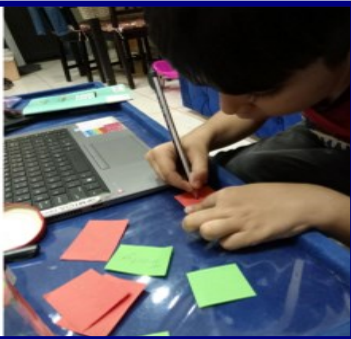
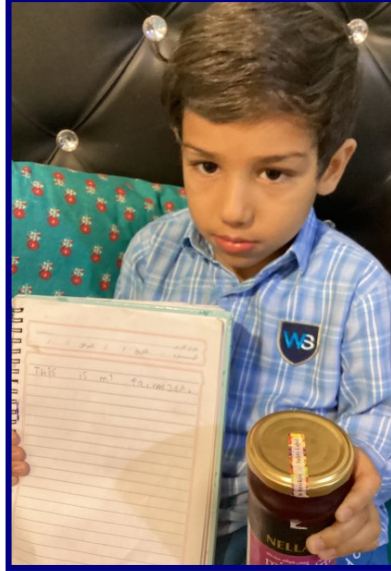


Junior Section News: FS2D2 Learning Activities!

FS2 D2 Exploring Floating and Sinking



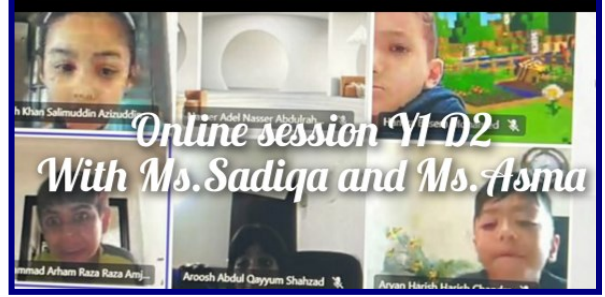
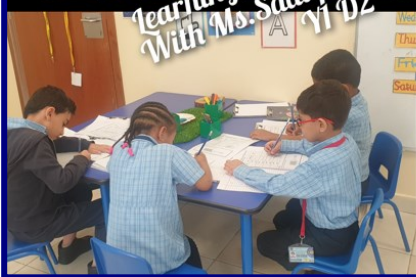
Junior Section News: Y1D1 Learning Activities!



Junior Section News: Y1D2 Learning Activities!



Learning is super fun at school!
With Ms. Sadiqa and Ms. Asma
Y1 D2



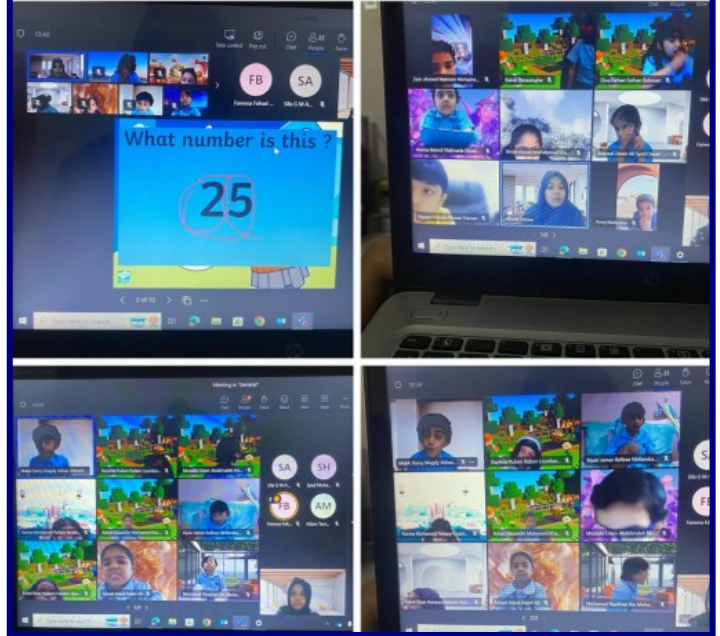
Object	Material	Float	Sink
Coin	Iron	X	✓
Pencil	Wood	✓	X
Paper	Paper	✓	X

Junior Section News: Y1F1 Learning Activities!

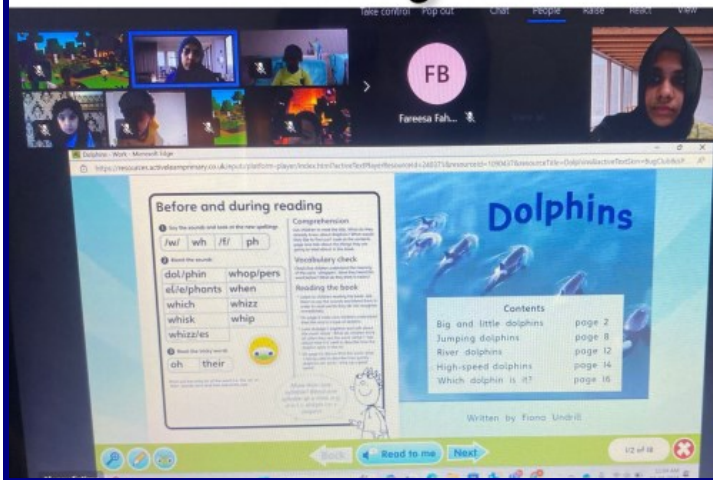
Arabic home learning



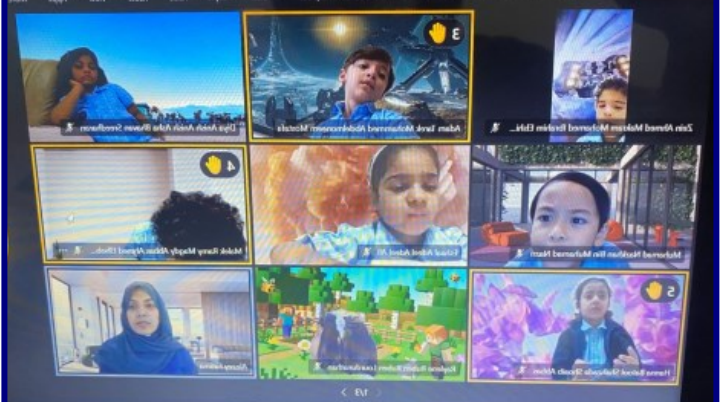
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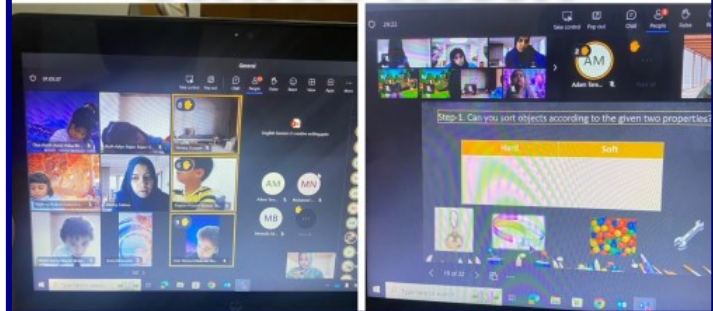
Story time



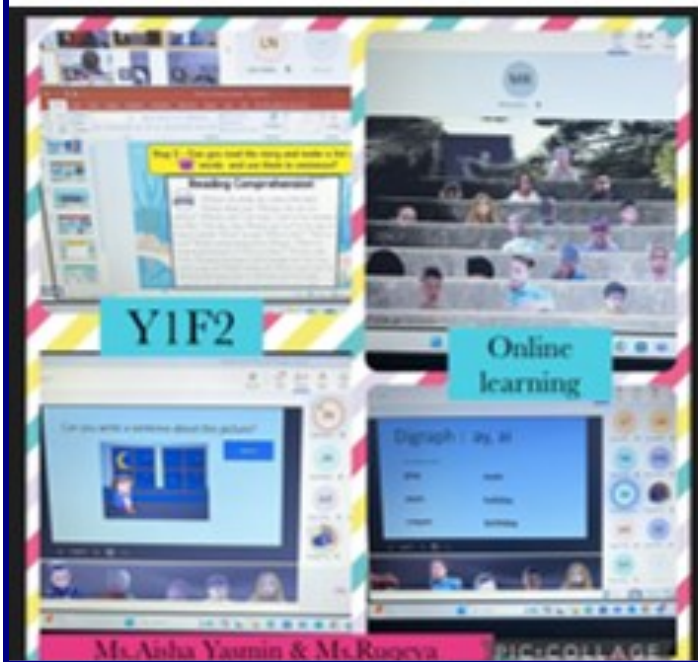
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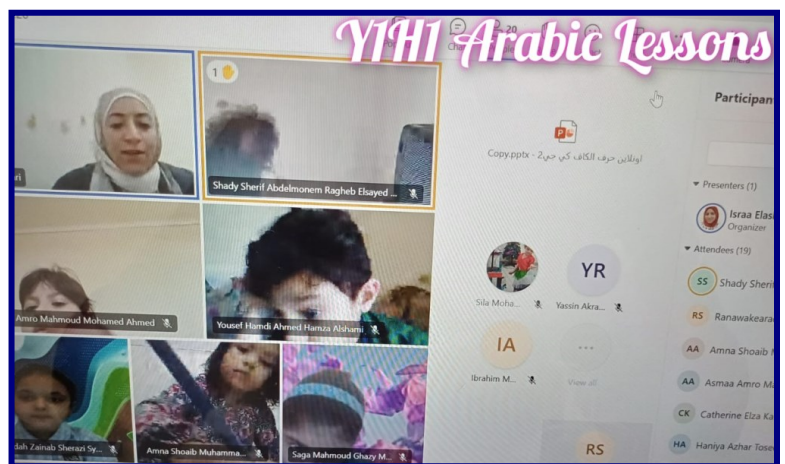
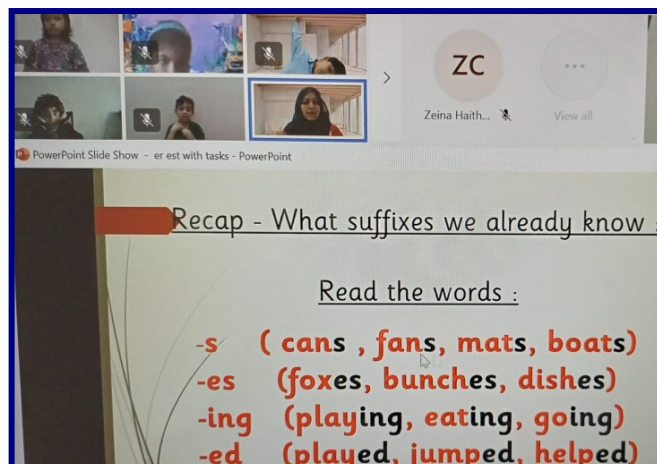
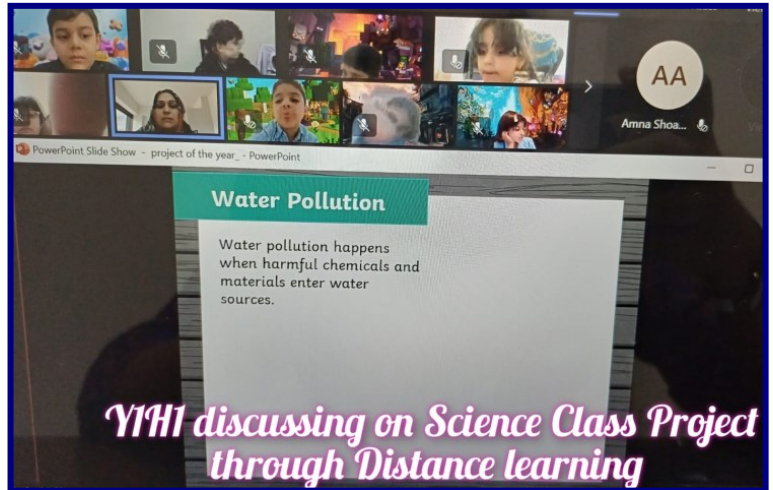
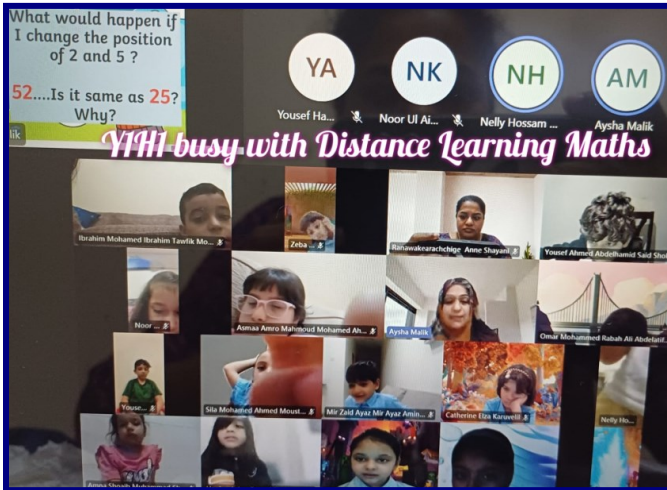
Science lesson



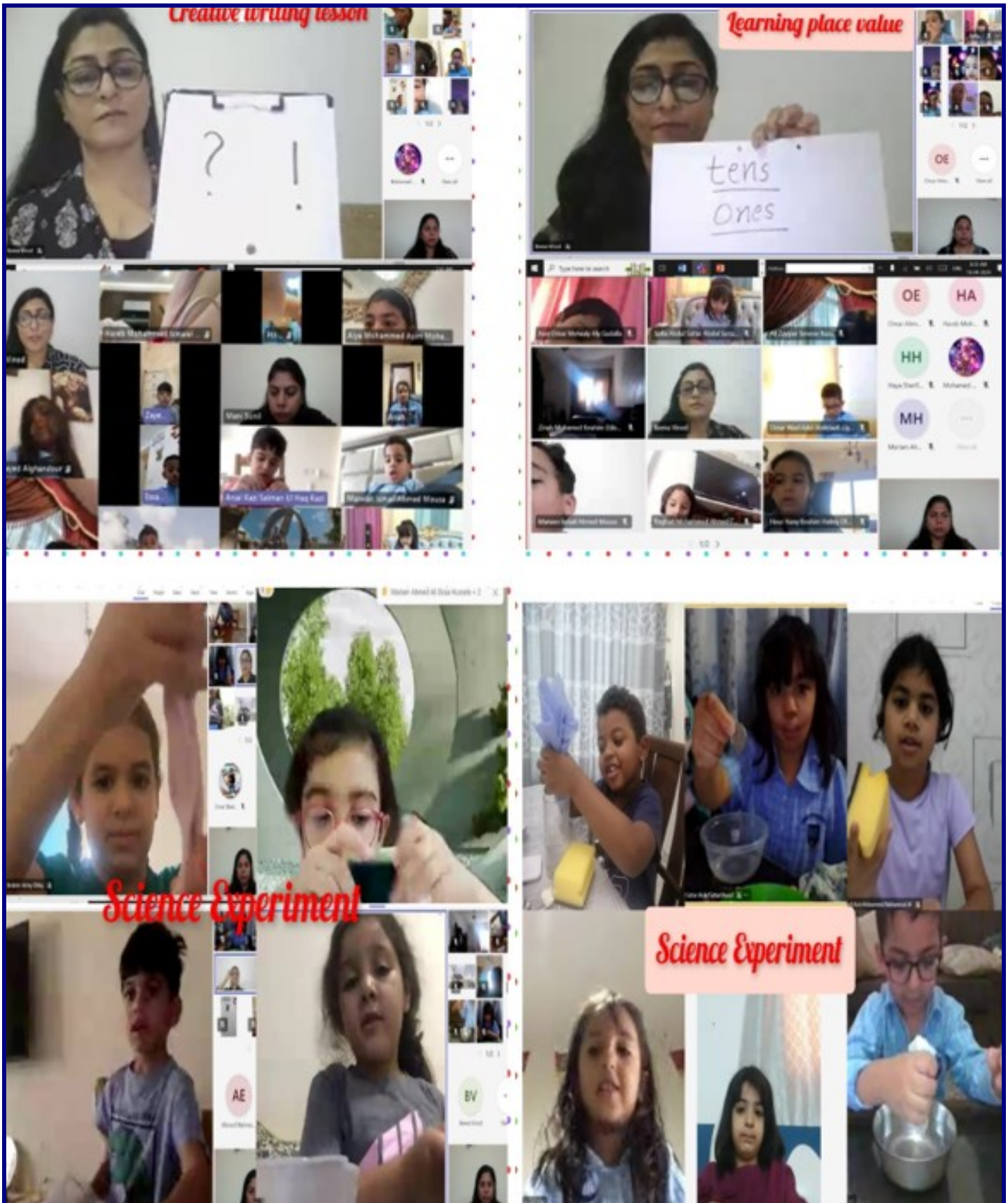
Junior Section News: Y1F2 Learning Activities!



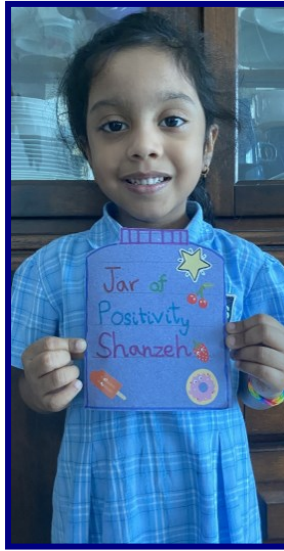
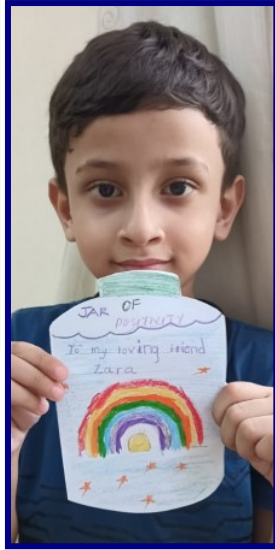
Junior Section News: Y1H1 Learning Activities!



Junior Section News: Y1H2 Learning Activities!



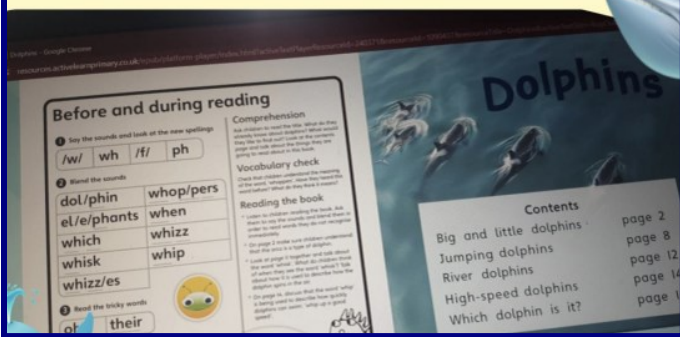
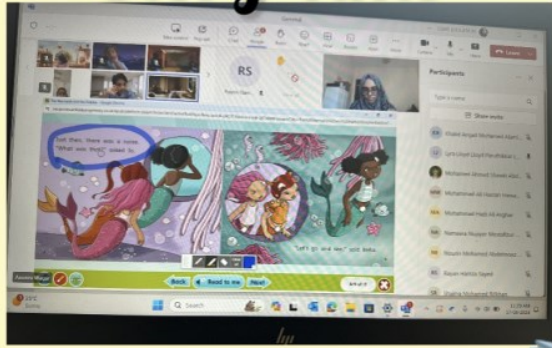
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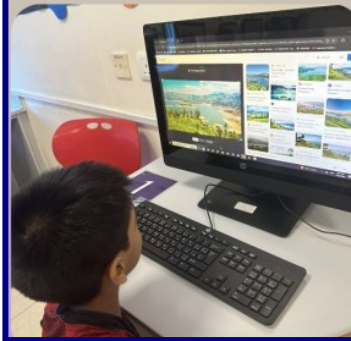
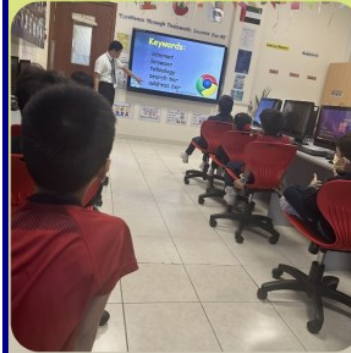
Students engaged in a cute Wellbeing activity 'Our Jar of Positivity'. The power of a positive message in a jar shared smiles all round. It was a fun and uplifting way for students to celebrate happy moments and spread joy!

Junior Section News: Y1S2 Learning Activities!

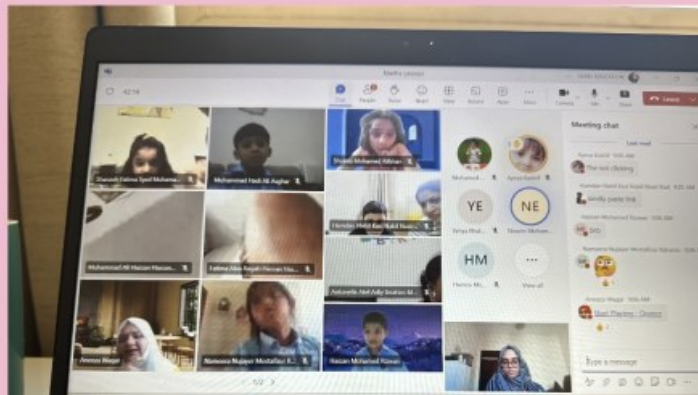
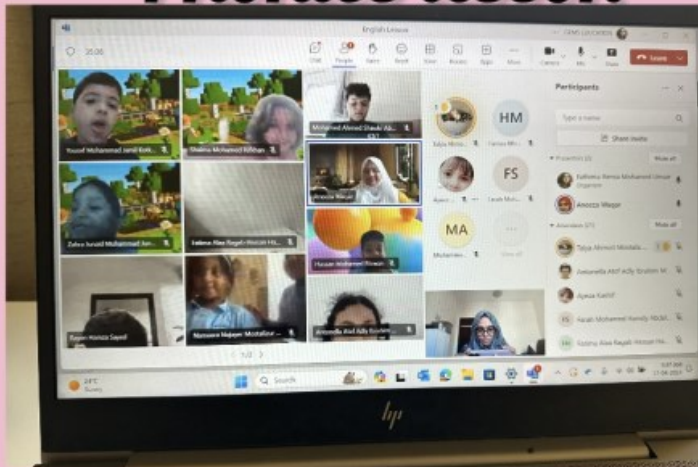
Story Time



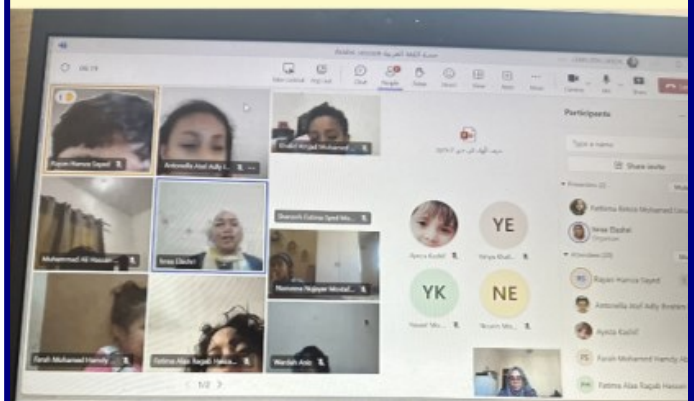
IT lesson



Phonics lesson



Arabic Lesson

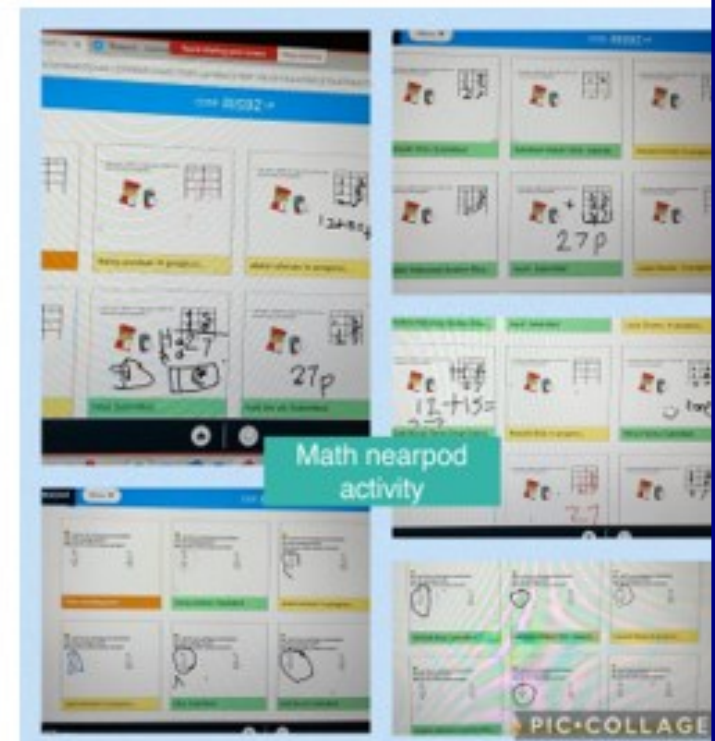
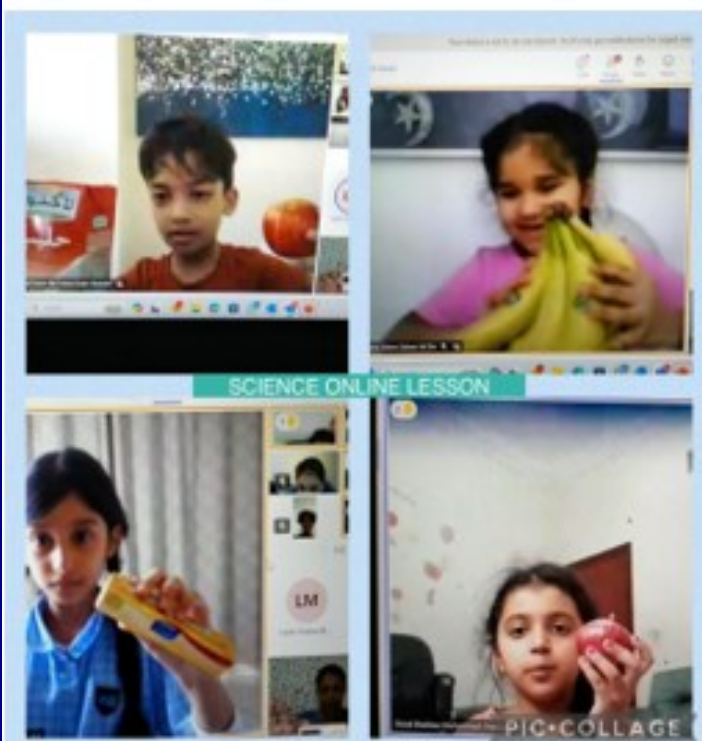
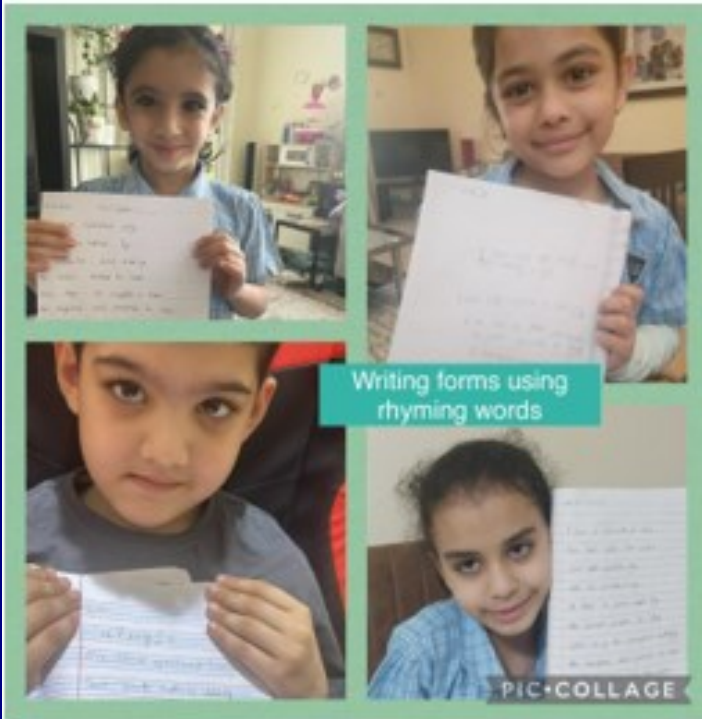


Junior Section News: Y2D1 Learning Activities!

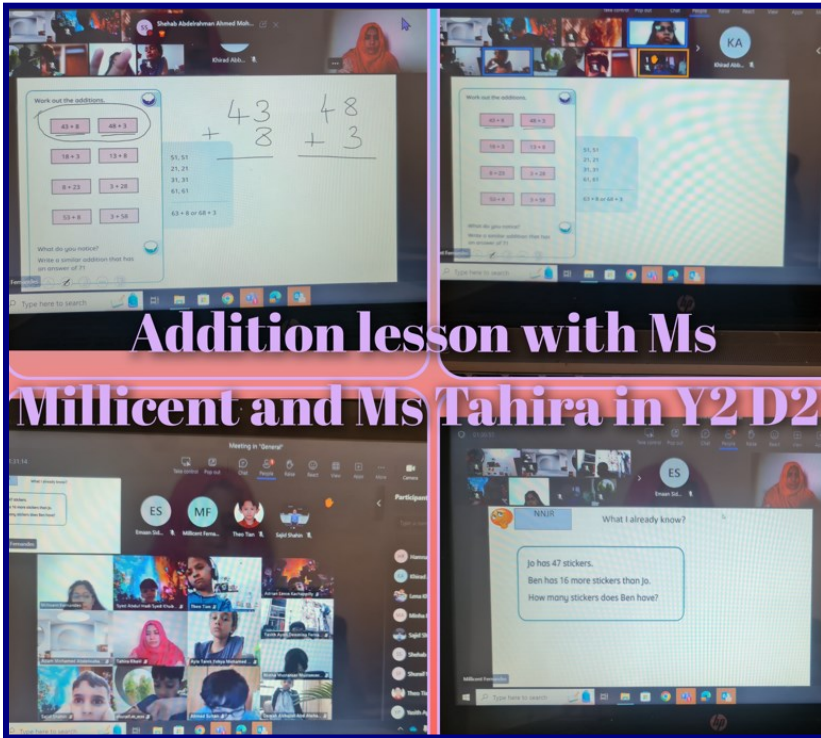
Y2D1 Class activity Picture

TR: Jinitra Rajesh

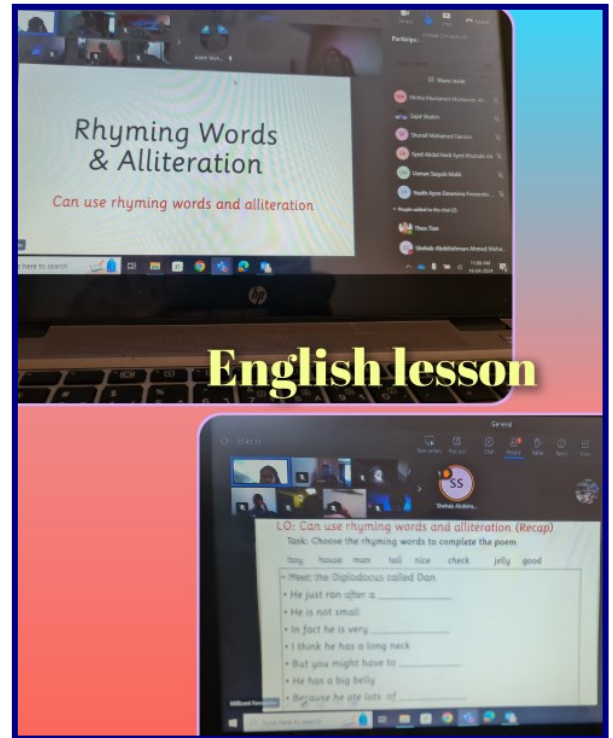
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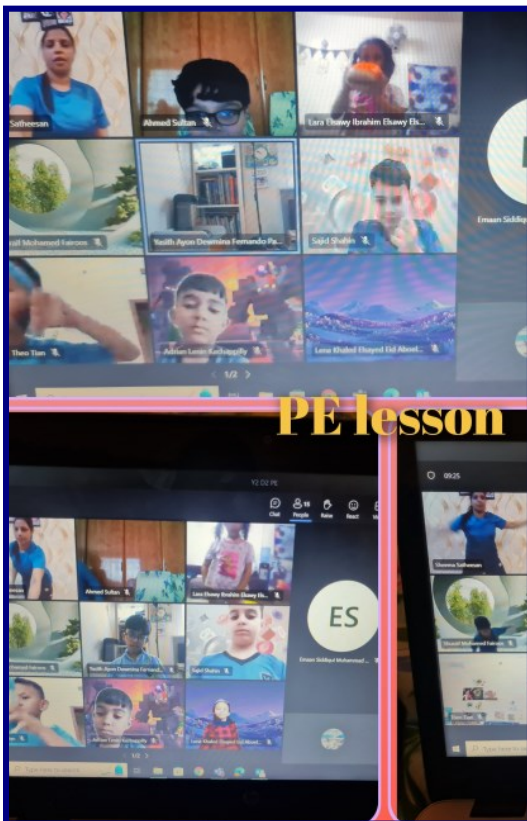
Junior Section News: Y2D2 Learning Activities!



Addition lesson with Ms Millicent and Ms Tahira in Y2 D2



English lesson



PE lesson



English lesson with Ms Millicent and Ms Tahira in Y2 D2

Junior Section News: Y2F1 Learning Activities!

Monday 22/1/2020
 bread - man made, wheat - plant
 butter - man made, milk - animal
 cabbage -

Food items	Sources of food
cheese	animal product
orange	plant product
chicken	animal product
rice	plant product

Ingredients

- cup mayonnaise
- tablespoon cider vinegar
- tablespoon extra-virgin olive oil
- teaspoon poppy seeds
- teaspoon sugar
- teaspoon salt
- teaspoon ground pepper
- leaves romaine lettuce, washed, dried
- and torn into quarters
- cup shredded carrot
- cucumber, cut into spears
- medium apple, sliced

Learning about food sources!

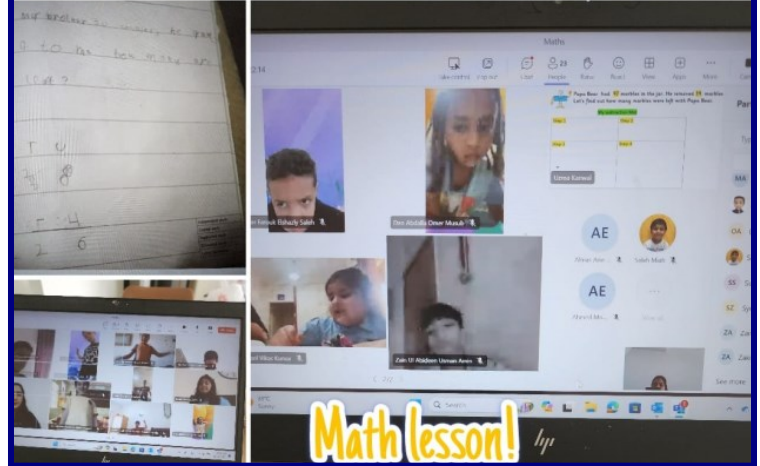
Ingredient	Source
carrot	plant
bread	plant
butter	animal
Mayonnaise	animal
Salt-pepper	natural
Orange	plant
cabbage	plant
Bell pepper	plant



Y2F1 with Ms.Uzma and Ms.Askia.

MISS ANNA HAS 30 sweets
 She gave 4 sweets to
 Miss Uzma how many
 left?

MISS ANNA'S sweets = 30
 MISS UZMA'S sweets = 4
 left = 30 - 4 = 26



Math lesson!

Sax as a know try
 He like to buy one box
 He never wanted to stop
 One day he caught a better box
 He talked and bought the
 There lived the one box
 where it was nice and good

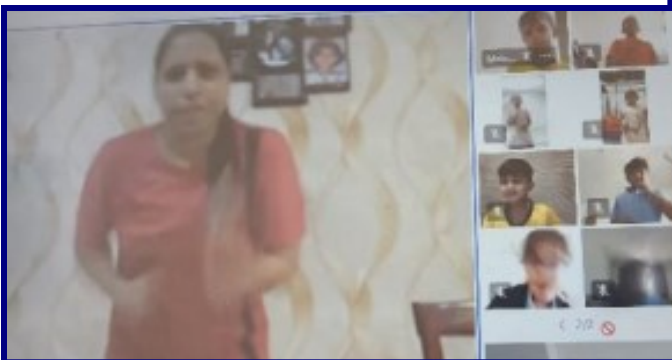


Y2F1 with Ms.Uzma and Ms.Askia

-log	-am
-log	-pi
-stop	-where
-butter fly	-leaf
-high	-low
-pool	
-road	

1 snow glow
 2 cowk hake
 3 cats hats
 4 thins doits
 5 lamp chime

English lessons!



وظف كلمة فستان في جملة:

أريد
 عندي
 أشتري
 أملك
 أشاهد
 أغطي

فستان

Junior Section News: Y2H1 Learning Activities!

Y2H1 with Ms. Roomana and Ms. Aqueen

Science source of food activity

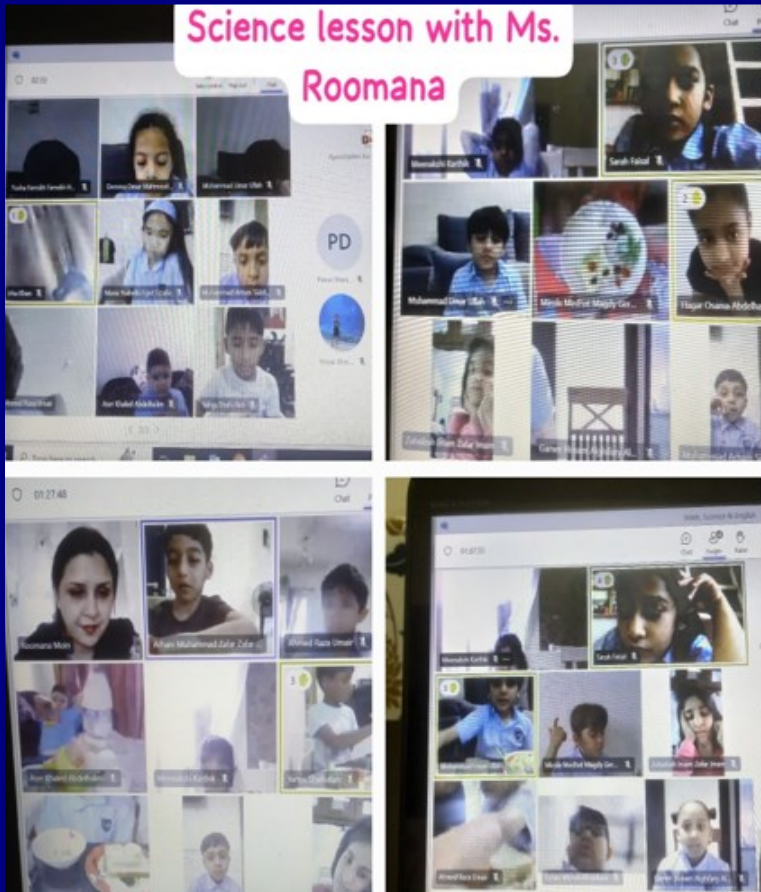


Distance Learning



Arabic lesson with Ms. Heba...

Science lesson with Ms. Roomana



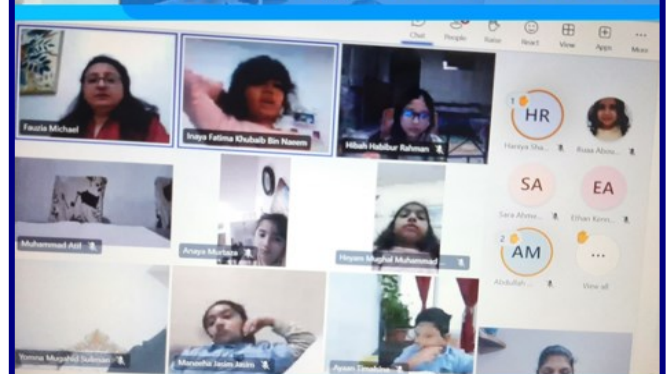
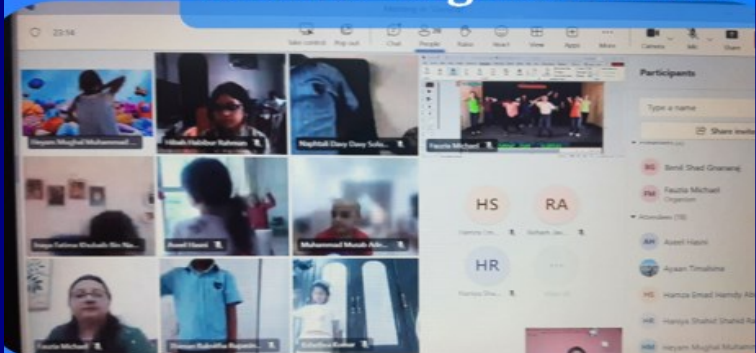
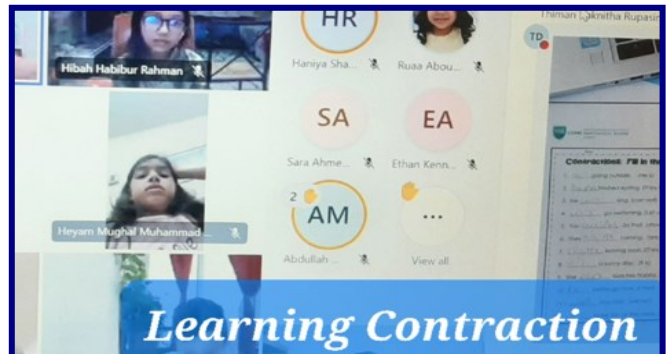
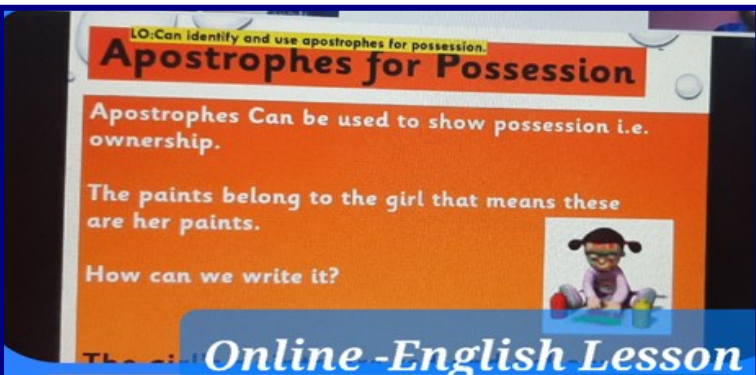
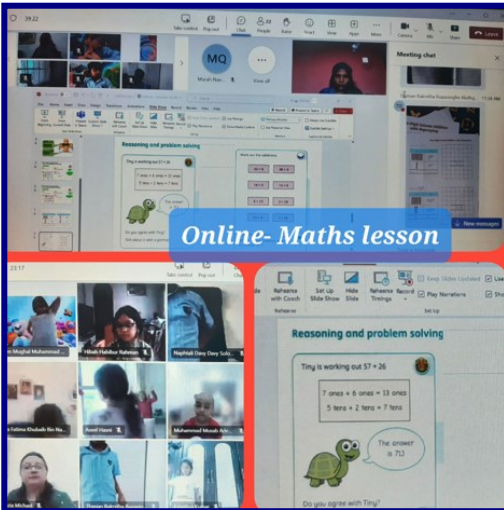
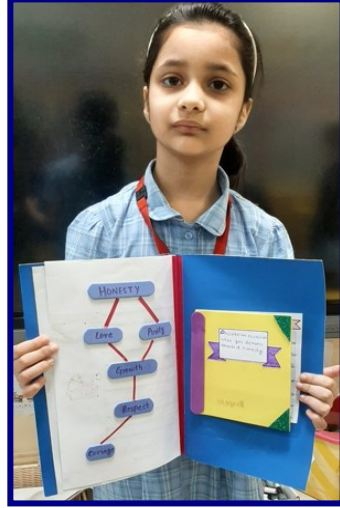
Y2H1 with Ms. Roomana and Ms. Aqueen

Islamic Education Activities



Arabic session

Junior Section News: Y2F2 Learning Activities!



Junior Section News: Y2H2 Learning Activities!

Y2H2 Activities



Junior Section News: Y2S1 Learning Activities!

Y2S1 Learning to write Poems with Ms. Sara and Ms. Catherin

One little speckled frog
 Sat on a hollow log.
 He liked to jump and hop.
 He never wanted to stop.
 One day he caught a butterfly.
 He laughed and jumped so high
 Then he dived into the pool.
 Where it was nice and cool.

1. Sat on a hollow log.
 2. He liked to jump and hop.
 3. He never wanted to stop.
 4. One day he caught a butterfly.
 5. He laughed and jumped so high.
 6. Then he dived into the pool.

Fatima Zehra Jawwad Abbas 10:53 AM
 I like cats cause they are fluffy and a bat cause the bat is also fluffy

PIC-COLLAGES

Science lesson in Y2S1 with Ms. Sara and Ms. Catherin

Healthy food

Milk	Apple
Fish	Banana
Yogurt	Jelly
Strawberry	Biscuit
Pineapple	Chips

Let's categorize the food items

Apple	Banana	Biscuit	Chips	Jelly	Milk	Pineapple	Strawberry	Yogurt
Apple	Banana	Pineapple	Strawberry	Yogurt	Milk	Biscuit	Chips	Jelly

Healthy or unhealthy?

PIC-COLLAGES

Subtraction with regrouping lesson in Y2S1 with Ms. Sara and Ms. Catherin

45 - 29 =

4	5	=	3	4	15	-	2	9	=	1	6

Change is 4-3

PIC-COLLAGES

Emergency services in UAE II Moral education lesson in Y2S1 with Ms. Sara and Ms. Catherin

Task 1: I need a police car
 I need an ambulance
 I need a fire engine
 I need a coastguard
 I need a rescue boat

Task 2: Identify what do you call it

1. I need a police car
2. I need an ambulance
3. I need a fire engine
4. I need a coastguard
5. I need a rescue boat

Emergency phone numbers

In case of an emergency, you should call:

- 999 for Police
- 998 for Ambulance
- 997 for Fire Department (Coastguard)
- 996 for Coastguard
- 995 for Find and Rescue

PIC-COLLAGES

Junior Section News: Y2S2 Learning Activities!



Primary Section News; Islamic Studies Learning Activities!

Islamic non-Arab students of Y4H2, S2 are showing their Islamic projects.

With Mr. Muh'd Kashif

Zoom meeting interface showing student presentations. The top toolbar includes Chat, People, Raise, React, View, Rooms, Apps, More, Camera, Mic, Stop sharing, and Leave. The main area shows two video feeds: one of a student with a drawing titled "I love Prophet Muhammad" and another of a student with a drawing titled "Surat At-Teen" featuring illustrations of fruits. A list of participants is visible on the right side of the screen.

Student presentation showing a handwritten note with Arabic text. The student's name, Mohib Fahad Zaman Qamar, is displayed at the bottom of the frame.

Quizziz quiz session for Y4 F1, F2 Islamic students. The interface shows a mountain-themed quiz with a "20% MASTERY" goal. A leaderboard on the right lists participants and their scores, including Yaha Muhammad Zubair (4000), Rayyan Zohaib (2800), Kiaan (1800), and Anaya Fatima (1000).

Student presentation showing a drawing of a mosque. The student's name, Ayesha Muhammad Farooq, is displayed at the bottom of the frame.

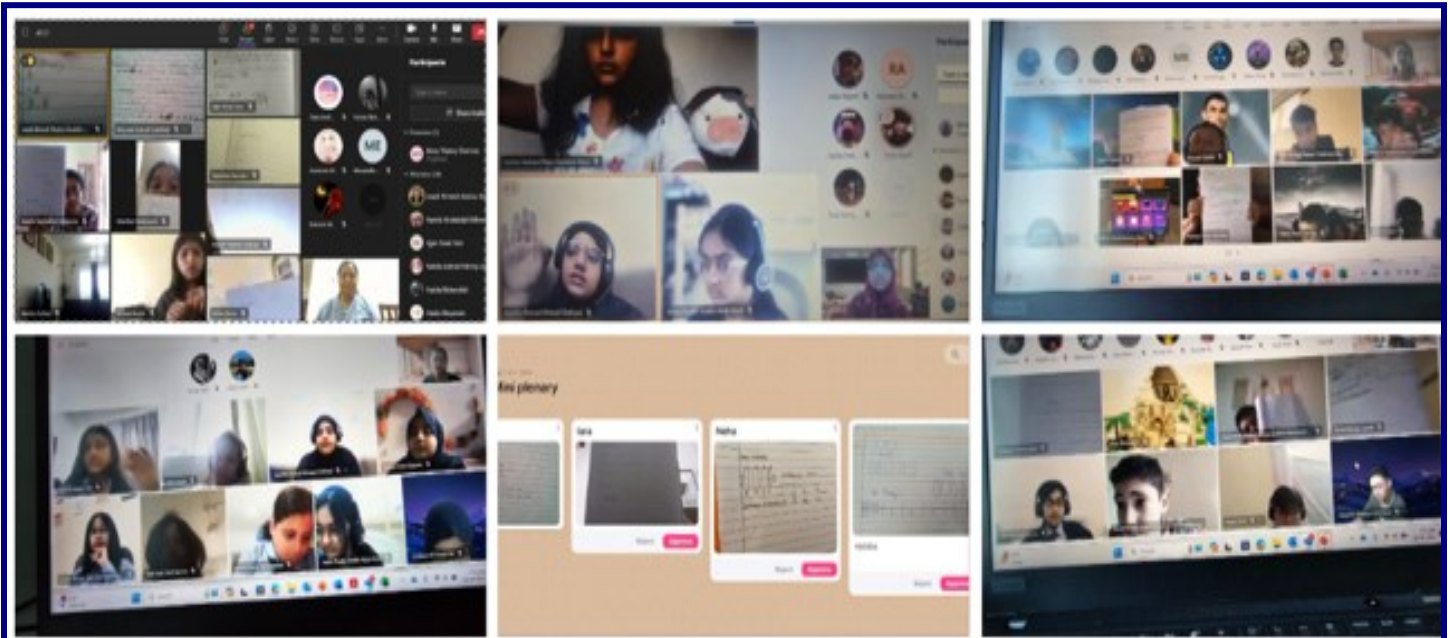
Padlet board showing "I'm Safe" messages from students. The board includes messages from Ammar bin Azhar, Laiba Waqar, Arfa, Rayyan Zohaib, Anaya Omar, Anaya Siddique, Yaha Muhammad Zubair, and Arbiya hasan.

Y4H1-World Earth Day Celebration



Y4 H1 students prepared book marks on the theme "Earth Day Every Day"

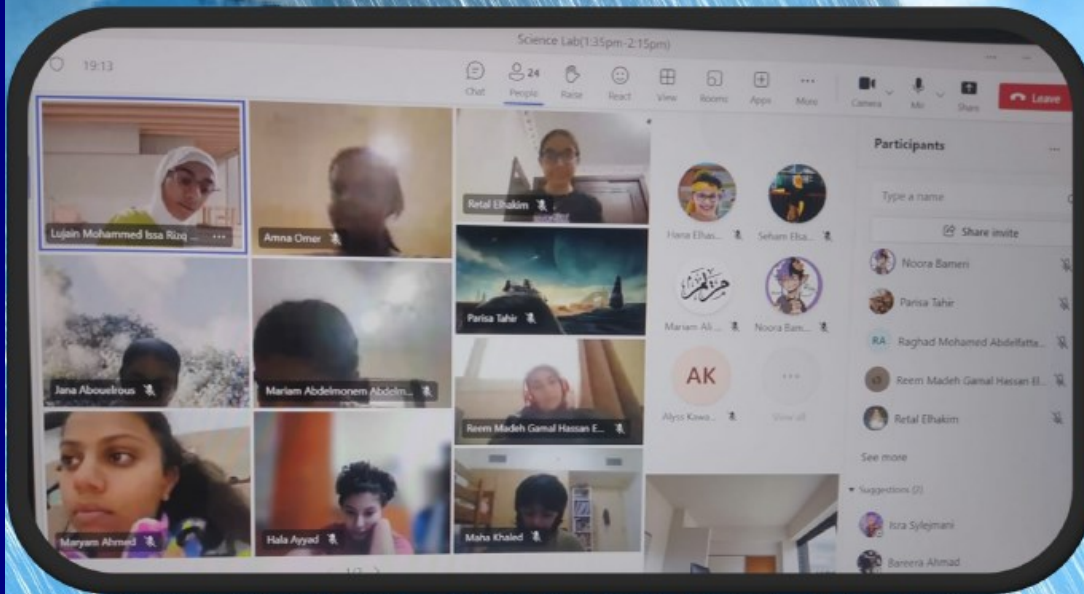
Secondary Section News; Y7 Learning Activities!



Digital Solutions to address unexpected challenges by year 7

Secondary Section News; Y8 Learning Activities!

Year 8- DL session



E-learning streaming while raindrops are gleaming.

Eager students on digital screens, rain's symphony unseen.



Secondary Section News; Y9 Learning Activities!

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Deason Wellbeck ...
Abdul Ahmed ...
Muhamma...
Syed Muba...
Syed Hasan...
Muhammed...
Ahmed Aly...
Umar al

In the midst of rain's pitter-patter, WSS leads the way, With remote learning, students shine despite the dreary day.

From cozy homes, education's light still beams bright, Safe From the storm, knowledge takes flight.

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Zaidul Sah...
MJ
Muhamma...
Harisul D...
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