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**Weekly Update
Term 3.2, Wk 7 1st July 2021**

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Dear families,

BSO Inspection report

We were pleased and proud to share the amazingly positive inspection report with you all yesterday. There are so many wonderful aspects in this report to celebrate, which is incredibly heartening after such a challenging year.



Our school was rated excellent and outstanding in most areas. Our outstanding curriculum was deemed to be courageous, supporting a high level of interest and challenge for the pupils. The high quality premises support excellent learning, and inspectors noted the exemplary behaviour of our children, supported by outstanding relationships between staff, pupils and parents. As you know, we commit to personalising learning for all pupils, and the inspection team noted the outstanding provision for inclusion of pupils of all abilities and aptitudes. The consistency of our approach was noted and leaders at all levels have been commended for their passion, commitment and outstanding leadership. I was particularly proud of the observation that we have an open minded and ambitious approach to continuous improvement. We are always looking for ways to improve! With your trust and support we have led the school through this global crisis, and turned a challenging time into a positive one.

We have achieved this accolade as a learning community; our cohesive and hardworking school team, our engaged and supportive families, and our happy and inquisitive pupils. We are proud and reflective, but are looking forward to another exciting year, aspiring to excellence every day.

Year 6 transition

Our year 6 students attended a virtual transition day on Tuesday of this week, attending secondary specialist lessons on google classroom, and being awarded their Junior Duke of Edinburgh badges and certificates. We hope families enjoyed the video of the celebration assembly; we know the students are well prepared and excited to start the next chapter of their school lives at Aspen.

End of Year reports

Our end of year reports were available on the parent portal from Wednesday evening. We hope this provides a useful summary of your child's learning strengths and areas for development. Please contact your child's teacher directly for a meeting before the end of term if you would like to discuss any aspect of your child's report.

انت تقارير نهاية العام متاحة على البوابة الرئيسية اعتباراً من مساء الأربعاء. نأمل أن يوفر هذا ملخصاً مفيداً لنقطة القوة في التعلم لدى طفلك ومجالات التطور. يرجى الاتصال بمحلي طفلك مباشرة للجتماع به قبل نهاية الفصل الدراسي إذا كنت ترغب في مناقشة أي جانب من جوانب تقرير طفلك.

'Moving up' Day

On Sunday 4th July students will watch a video from their new class teacher, and take part in an activity ready for their next class and classroom. Letters will be sent on Sunday detailing our new school improvement priorities for next academic year, and classes and teachers for next academic year.

في يوم الأحد 4 يوليو ، سيشاهد الطالب مقطع فيديو من معلم صفهم الجديد ، وسيشارك الطالب أيضاً في نشاط جاهز لصفهم والسنة الدراسية الجديدة. وسيتم بعث رسائل يوم الأحد توضح بالتفصيل أولوياتنا الجديدة لتحسين المدرسة للعام الدراسي المقبل ، والصفوف والمعلمين للعام الدراسي المقبل.

Have a lovely weekend with your families, and we look forward to seeing you for the final 2 days of school next week,

Mrs Emma Shanahan
Principal, Aspen Heights British School



Primary Update

What a fantastic year it has been! There have been many obstacles to jump through but we did it, and we have many things to feel proud about. This week I have seen more amazing learning during my learning walks. All year groups have been preparing for their transition into their new year group. Year 1 and 2 have written some fantastic questions for their new teacher, and Year 3, 4 and 5 have been collating information about themselves including their strengths and targets for next year. Year 6 had an amazing transition into secondary with a celebration assembly afterwards. They are extremely excited to join year 7 after having a taster of how their day in secondary would look. Thank you to all children, parents, teachers and TAs for your amazing work this year!



I hope that everybody enjoyed reading their child's report this week and had the opportunity to thank your teachers and children for their commitment and progress this year.

We still have Sunday and Monday in school next week. Sunday will be 'meet your new teacher day' and Monday will be a reflection and celebration with your current teacher.

Next week I will be sending 100% attendance certificates to those children who have learnt every single day this year! So look out for that as it may be you...Well done to the following classes for having the highest attendance for their phase this week - Sandcats at 99% and Hawksbill at 93%.

Have a lovely weekend and safe travels and holidays if I do not see you before we break up for our 4th academic year. I will be staying in Abu Dhabi to have my baby so I look forward to seeing you on my return next term.

Mrs Laura Stevens
Head of Primary



EYFS Update

It has been great to see the children back in school this week. In Nursery, the children have started to think about the transition to FS2 next year. In preparation for 'Virtual Move Up' day on Sunday, the Nursery children had a Zoom call, with the Pipits class, to learn more about FS2. The children were very excited to learn that the rooms are similar and that the FS2 classes still have lots of the same resources such as balls, dinosaurs and books. On Sunday, the children will find out which class they will be in and the name of their new class teacher. They will also watch a short video from their new teacher and prepare some special work that will be displayed in their new classroom.



With the summer holidays in sight, the children in FS2 have been busy creating holiday posters and brochures. The children really enjoyed researching different countries and writing about what they had learnt. I have seen some fantastic examples both in school and on Seesaw.

As this will be the last newsletter of the academic year, I wanted to say a big thank you, to all of our lovely families and staff, for all of your support over the year. I am so proud of the children for their resilience, enthusiasm and achievements this year!

I hope you have a brilliant summer.

I am looking forward to seeing you on Sunday 29th August.

Mrs Rose Akachi
Head of Foundation Stage



Secondary Update

Well done to all of our secondary students for being resilient young learners, who have transitioned easily between learning types, you are a credit to yourselves and our school.

Our keyword in secondary this week has definitely been - Transition!



We have had an amazing week of activities in lessons preparing our students for the next academic year. This culminated on Tuesday when we had a full day of transition activities, welcoming our Year 6's into Year 7. Year 6 were welcomed by our Student Council and they had the opportunity to ask lots of questions to our secondary pupils via zoom. Year 6 then had a high intensity IT lesson with Mr Smart and Miss Yates, where they troubleshooted any Google Classroom issues. This was so important as all teaching and learning in secondary uses Google Classroom. Once set up for the day, our subject specialist secondary teachers delivered some Year 7 level lessons in English, French, mathematics and science. The children were engaged and excited by our blue challenges! We ended this marvellous day of transition with a celebration of all of Year 6's wonderful achievements of the year. Well done Year 6, we look forward to welcoming you to Secondary on 29th August.

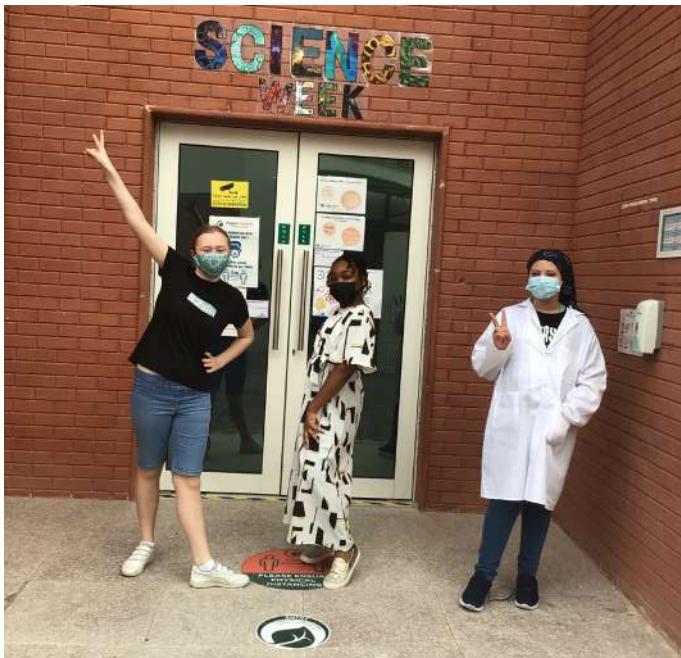
On a different note I am sad that we have to say goodbye to Miss Lavin, who after teaching French and English in Aspen Heights for two years is returning to her home in Ireland, where she will continue teaching. Good luck Miss Lavin, we will miss you.



Finally, I would like to say a huge thank you to all of our teachers in secondary, for working so hard to facilitate some truly inspirational and amazing learning throughout the year. Thank you to Mrs Afnan, Mrs Basma, Mrs Belhoula, Mr. Delaney, Mr. Eldesouki, Mrs. Hanan, Mrs. Hiba, Mrs. Goveas, Mrs. Grice-Glover, Mrs. Joubert, Miss Lavin, Mr. Mohamed, Miss Nisha, Mrs. Rawaa, Mrs. Stewart, Mrs. Tharaa, Mrs. Trznadel and Miss Yates.

Have a lovely safe summer everyone. I look forward to hearing all about your holidays when we return to school, on 29th August.

Dr. Kate Plumb
Head of Secondary





Mice class are so active, they are able to do The bridge pose.



Fahad told Fatima she looks beautiful.



Hamda and Maria love creating their own virtual Pizza.



Fatima was having a tea party with our teddies.



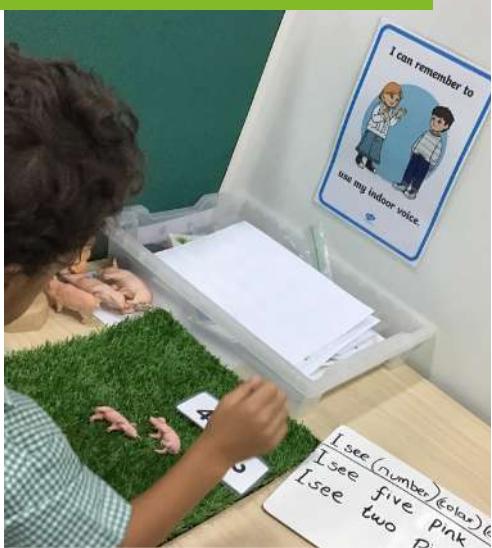
Faris enjoying creating a train track on the tablet.



Nursery children singing our Monkey rhymes and songs and acting them out too.

Mice class investigating around the classroom.

Oasis



Leo enjoyed counting farm animals.



Abe working on his gross motor skills.



Ahmed blending letter sounds.



Abe counting and naming farm animals.



Leo working on his reading and listening skills.



Leo working on number blocks addition.



Ahmed Making an alien with playdoh.



Ahmed working on his gross motor skills.



Lower Primary



2G loves doing art.



Foxes have been plating their own seeds.



Ayra (3F) enjoyed making her Ndebele village.



Harib and Mohamed (3F) enjoyed making a synonyms poster.



Daniel in Y2L measuring things from around the classroom.



Meera and Katara Y2L comparing measurements.



Y2G enjoying art.



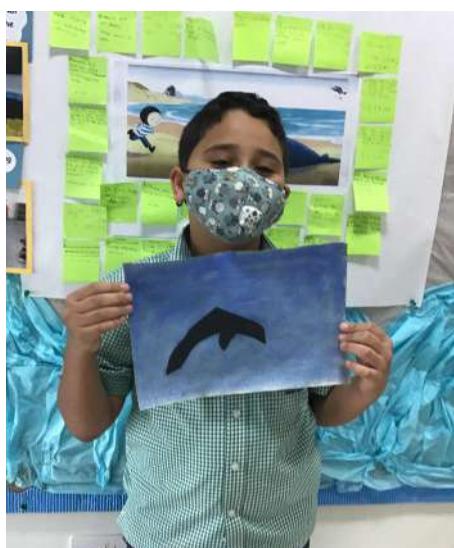
Rory (3F) had a great time creating his Ndebele village.



Foxes children loved making their own clocks.



Our Primary children showing their art.



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The children in Foxes finally completed their alien sculptures.



Lama (3F) loved designing her Ndebele hut mathematics assessment.



Hasan, Hamdan and Naila Y2L with their letters to David Attenborough as part of our English topic.

Upper Primary



Isma and Megan in Y4H painting blossom trees.



Rihan and Yusuf are busy painting.



5P have enjoyed creating memory boards about their time in Year 5.



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Y4S Harry, Nora, Maryam and Alanoon performing their script.



Carlos is Y5H identifying prime and composite numbers between 20-50.



Jorge in Y5H creating a travel brochure for an alien planet in English.

Secondary

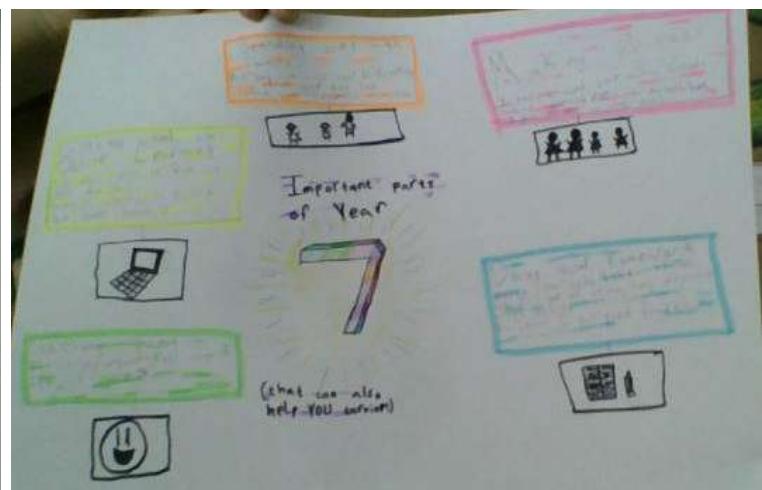
Art and D&T:

Celebrity portraits and the understanding of proportions and gidding was the focus of the summative unit the Year 9's have been working on. Students worked very hard to create value within their work in order to create a very realistic portrait. The results are amazing!



French:

In our French lessons this week, we completed our cultural presentations and consolidated our knowledge of some aspects of French culture. We will make a conscious effort to listen to French as much as possible over the holidays.



English:

In our Year 7 English lessons this week, we reflected on our experience of Year 7 through our creation of infographics. This was a nice activity as it allowed us time to pause and reflect on what has been a challenging, yet enjoyable year.

Our Year 9s made a brilliant effort this week in their English classes. Pupils showed tenacity and resilience as they responded to feedback on their draft coursework, edited and fine tuned their submissions. I am very proud of how hard they have worked and their work. Well done!

Year 8 have completed their Piracy Portfolios: developed pirate character, setting (island), director's brief, novel title, chapter plan and chapters. A wonderful journey and a pleasure to read so much authentic work.

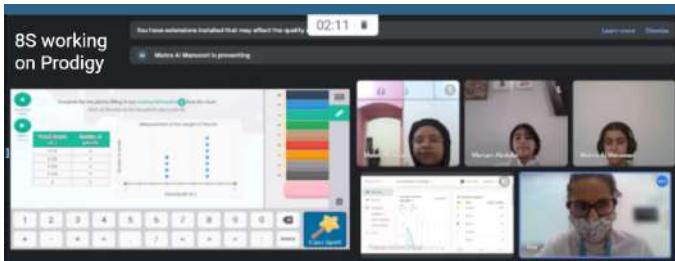


Mathematics:

This week in Mathematics all classes review their final exam. We also continued using Prodigy for further consolidation of this year's learning. Students love Prodigy games and some said that they would use it during their Summer holidays!

Science:

Science transitions this week with year 6 Dolphins and Seahorses! Brilliant lesson.

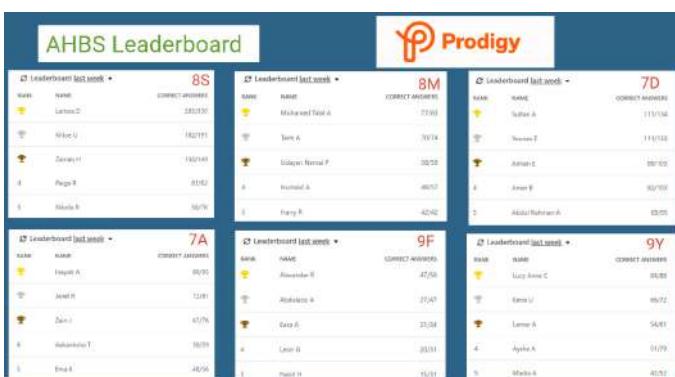


Congratulations!

Student Rewards

Best ten Secondary AHBS students on Sparx homework:

Student	Total XP (Last 7 days)	Boost/Target XP (Last 7 days)	Independent Learning XP (Last 7 days)	Total XP
Mohamed Aljneibi	0	0	0	13027
Yara Alsaidy	1857	540	600	12840
Aisha Al Naqbi	1223	540	200	11626
Khloe Ucat	1008	540	0	11213
Keira Ucat	890	270	0	10855
Taim Alahmad	851	405	0	10415
Ahmed Belhoula	0	0	0	10092
Lucy Cockburn	70	0	0	10035
Larissa du Preez	0	0	0	10000
Sophia Macmoudi	741	135	0	9438



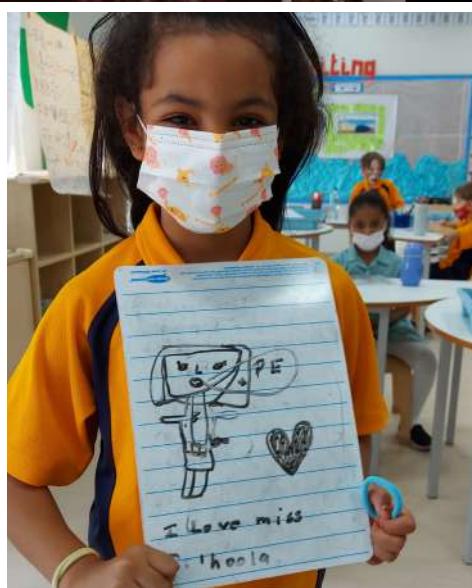
What does science mean to you?



PE

Following our previous two weeks of DL it was great to get to see everyone again before the end of the school year. Our upper primary and secondary students got to finish off their archery modules and put their skills to the test in a competitive environment. The level of accuracy and technique on display was amazing! Lower primary students continued to develop their knowledge of healthy lifestyle choices as well as their movement skills. As this is the last full week of PE we would like to thank our students for their immense commitment and dedication to the subject this year. They have made it a really enjoyable experience and we are grateful for their enthusiasm and energy. We look forward to next year where hopefully we can continue to develop their knowledge and skills!

The PE team.



Arabic



بدأ العد التنازلي للعام الدراسي، حمل في طياته ذكرياتٌ رائعةً و مشاهد متنوعةً تعكس الأجواء التعليمية الممتعة و المثيرة التي عاشهها طلاب آسبن في حرص اللغة العربية و التربية الإسلامية و التربية الوطنية، حيث كانت تتراوح بين التعلم و اكتساب المعرفة، تنمية المهارات و القدرات، تطوير المستوى الأكاديمي و المعرفي، بالإضافة إلى تزويد الطالب بخبرات تعليمية تقودهم لطريق النجاح الباهر و التألق بالمستقبل. وقد تم تحقيق ذلك من خلال تنوع الأنشطة والاستراتيجيات التعليمية مع التركيز على تنمية مهارات القراءة والكتابة في كل الحصص للعرب ولغير العرب على حد سواء من خلال توظيف التكنولوجيا والبرامج الالكترونية الحديثة من جهة، و تفعيل المنصات التعليمية من جهة أخرى.

لقد كان عاماً دراسياً مميزاً و ناجحاً بقسم اللغة العربية رغم التحديات والصعاب التي واجهتنا من فترة لأخرى مع الوباء العالمي "كورونا". حيث أن جودة التعلم ظلت عالية و مميزة سواء أكانت بالمدرسة أو عبر التعلم عن بعد.





لقد سان المستوفان يعلمون بالاعتقاد.

الطلاب التقى ونحو نجاح.

ابعدتم الطفل السعيد ابتسام بسلا.

دبي مدينة من ددم.

شربت الماء العذبة.

الطالبات التقى ونحو نجاح.

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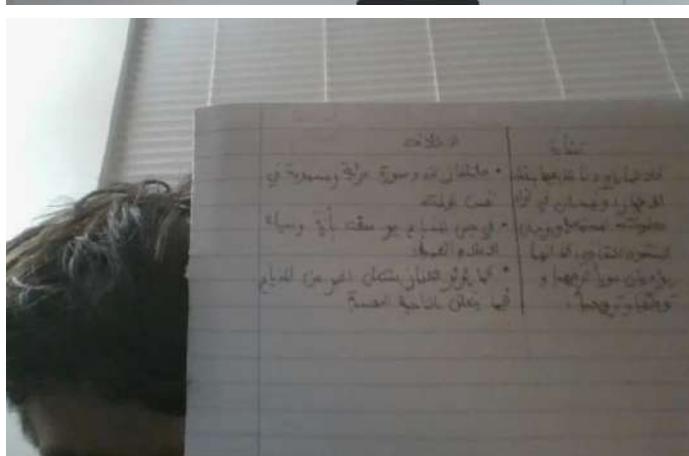
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هذا عمل زعن تشليل وهم يعلن

العنوان: المنهج والمتغيرات
التاريخ: ١٩/٣/٢٠٢١

١) المهندسون الناجحون
المتفوقون العادلون
جدى جعيل، ✗
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المتفوقات الناجحات ✗

٢) دعاية الآباء في أمريكا
دعاية مطيبة في العالم
لعلك تلميذان لسيطان يذهبان إلى المدرسة ✗



Music

Music is good for development and students will benefit from playing, learning, and hearing music. Boomwhackers Tuned Percussion Tubes are wonderful and unique instruments that have already brought the joy of music to many students. Learning an instrument provides students with an outlet to practice, listen to feedback, make adjustments and see positive changes. As they improve, they will build confidence and boost self-esteem. Music teaches kids to effectively create, store and retrieve memories, similar to a workout for the brain.

