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## Grade 5 Curriculum Guide

April 2018

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Please ensure your child is arriving to school on time each morning. Grade 5 is a very important year and we do not want your child to miss out on valuable learning time. You should ensure your child is attending school as much as possible to maximise their attainment and progress. We kindly ask that you avoid early pickups where possible particularly on a Thursday during golden time. The Grade 5 teachers are working hard to plan purposeful rewarding activities for those who have demonstrated excellent behaviour throughout the week. If your child loses any minutes of golden time and they leave early that day the impact of golden time as a reward is lessened.

Bug Club is being used to set home reader ebooks from the reading scheme for Grade 5. If your child has not got or has forgotten their username and password please email the homeroom teacher who will resend it. Ten minutes of reading a day is proven to have a massive impact on rates of progress and achievement.

Homework is being posted on BRIC. If you have not received your username and password to access BRIC on the school website home page please check your spam and junk then add the email address to your contacts to receive our mails in future. If it is still not there email [anubhash@albasmaschool.ae](mailto:anubhash@albasmaschool.ae) and [najuva@albasmaschool.ae](mailto:najuva@albasmaschool.ae) who will update your contact details and will send your log in details. (We are aware there has been some problems with this). Please refer to BRIC for your child's homework. If there are any issues with accessing BRIC you can email your child's English or Maths' teacher who will make arrangements accordingly.

### **Please see below the Grade 5 curriculum for April**

#### **English**

In English we will focus on Play script study and narratives. The children will read a range of play scripts and together they will write a conversion from play script to narrative. This will be used as the model text throughout the unit. The focus will be on the text *The Lorax* converting from a play script to story and vice-versa. At the end of the unit the children will write a story about the rainforest being destroyed. This script and others will be used in drama and guided reading to practice play script reading skills and recall of texts.

#### **Maths**

In Maths we will describe positions on the full coordinate grid (all four quadrants). We will draw and translate simple shapes on the coordinate plane, and reflect them in the axes. We will also solve problems involving similar shapes where the scale factor is known or can be found. We will also revisit some of the topics covered in term 1 and term 2.

#### **Topic**

This term we are going to continue to explore South America. We are going to locate where South America is in relation to the rest of the world on a map and look at the countries that make up South

America. We will then move on to looking at Rainforests and focus particularly on the Amazon rainforest and river. We will then move on to North America and extreme weathers.

### **Science**

In Science we will be moving onto evolution and inheritance. We will recognise how living things have changed over time and identify how animals and plants are adapted to their environments.

### **Stationery**

The below list of stationery is required in your child's pencil case. Please ensure your child has a whiteboard and the below equipment in a pencil case labelled with their name ready for the start of term 3 as some children are running low on supplies. This can prevent them from accessing all of the activities on offer fully.

White board pen  
Eraser  
Pencil  
Pencil eraser  
Blue or black ball point pen  
Red pen  
Glue stick  
Ruler  
Sharpener  
Scissors  
Protractor  
Coloured pencils  
Highlighters green and yellow

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Thank you for all of your continued support.

The Grade 5 Team