



PUTTING THE FUN BACK  
INTO LEARNING!

## Grade 5 Curriculum Guide

February 2018

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Thank you for attending parents evening, it was great to see you and share all of the fantastic learning we have been doing in Grade 5.

As we continue to promote positive behaviour and learning in Grade 5, we kindly ask that you avoid early pick-ups 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. Reading for 15 minutes a day with your child is proven to be the best way for a parent to have a positive impact on their child's attainment and progress.

Homework is now 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 have been some problems with this).

Please see below the curriculum guide for February

### **Grade 5 curriculum for February**

#### **English**

In English we are going to look at persuasive writing. Children will explore the features of persuasive writing in different forms: letters, adverts etc. They will take part in whole class and group debates. They will write different types of persuasive pieces for different purposes. All writing will be put into a real life context so children see a purpose for their writing e.g. writing to the Principal.

#### **Maths**

In Maths we will be learning how to calculate unknown angles in triangles, quadrilaterals, and regular polygons and how to recognise angles where they meet at a point, are on a straight line, or are vertically opposite, and use these facts to calculate missing angles

#### **Topic**

This term we are going to explore the Ancient Mayan civilization. We will look at the lives of the Mayan people. We will identify their settlement on a map and study the geography of Central America at this time. We will use a range of sources including the drawings of Frederick Catherwood the first explorer to illustrate the Maya ruins in detail in the 1800's.

## Science

In Science we will be continuing with our topic, 'Electricity'. We will be identifying electrical objects and learning about how to use them safely. There will be a weekly homework task for the children to complete which will be sent out by your child's homeroom teacher.

## 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.

- 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