



Message from Head of School

Reminders:

- Check school website/ calendar
- Check homework
- Email school with any query or concern
- Read to your child daily
- Say thanks
- Praise your child for all their hard work
- Pay school fees.
- Eat well and exercise
- Get plenty of rest and have a great day!



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Dear Esteemed Parents,

We are looking forward to another exciting academic year full of great learning opportunities for all our stakeholders in and out of the classroom. As always, we will continue to update you about all the information relating to teaching, learning as well as the school community updates in general.

In this newsletter, you will find information about what the school community has been up to so far and what we are looking forward to achieving in Term 2 to ensure that your children maximize the learning opportunities available to them both within and outside of the classroom environment.

Your support of the mission and vision of our school as esteemed stakeholders assumes great significance for our school community. Hence, I encourage you to continue making a positive contribution to your child's learning/development and to the school community. Remember, this is your school, and together we will continue to foster and encourage positive learning environments for our students by ensuring that they are prepared to attend school every day and on time.

I would also like to encourage you to continue working in partnership with

your child's teacher and feel free to ask questions if you are unsure about anything. As partners, we share the responsibility for our children's success; we will do our utmost to shoulder these responsibilities as we are committed to providing the best learning outcomes for our students. We believe that a strong partnership with you will make a significant difference to your child's education.

We are working tirelessly to make sure that everything unfolds as smoothly as possible. For us to accomplish our objectives, we need your support and understanding. I want to encourage you to continue to communicate your feedback and input on school improvements freely with school management, and we will leave no stone unturned to ensure that we incorporate all relevant improvements as and when needed.

Useful tips and how to contact us:

- Email us with your feedback at office@emswakra.net or emkg@emswakra.net.
- You can meet with me without scheduling an appointment when you drop off/pick up your child from school. (6.30 am to 7.10 am in the morning and 1.20 pm to 2.00 pm in the afternoon on Mondays and Tuesday only).
- You could also schedule an appointment to meet with your child's teacher, myself, Senior Leadership Team, and the Management Team as and when you feel the need to do so.
- It is imperative that you and your child/children get updated information about our school's standards relating to appropriate behaviour, learning, and school expectations; this is outlined in our Parent-Student Handbook on our website under the Parents tab at the top of the page.

Ms. Omolola Wright

Head of School

EMS Wakra and EMKG

MESSAGE FROM EMKG PRINCIPAL

A very warm welcome to all EMKG parents and children from Ms. Sandra the KG Principal.

It is such a pleasure to observe how well the children have settled into Term 1. The children have had the opportunity to be creative and imaginative as well as becoming more independent with their learning and self-help skills.

We will continue to support the children, following the Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) curriculum, the Jolly Phonics program and Literacy Planet for KG2.

Our aim is to encourage the children to be independent in all areas of their development, as well as observing the children exploring and how they are using these skills to access all areas, inside and outside of the classroom.

The children especially, have enjoyed using these skills to help change and develop their role-play areas, which has helped them to improve their communication and language and social skills with each other.

The children and the staff have enjoyed 'Dress Down' days, in which we all had the opportunity to be dressed the same and wearing pink to recognize 'Breast Cancer Awareness' month as well dressed as superheroes for the day.

Please keep checking the website, notice board and the newsletter for more developments and updates in regards to learning and development at EMKG as well all other relevant information for all areas of the ECE at EMKG.

We also upload photographs of your children busy being active learners on the website which helps your children to share their learning experiences with you.

Please ensure that we have your up to date contact details so that you have continued access to messages that we may send.

Children's Learning

The children have enjoyed exciting themes, which are linked to the curriculum, as well as exploring other learning experiences in school such as;

- 'Where I live, home, the neighborhood' and going on a bus tour of Wakra and talking about the various places they have seen, transferring this into their creative pieces of artwork and writing.
- 'Colours and Shapes' Learning all about everyday shapes around us and colours as well as mixing colours.

'People Who Help Us' The children have really enjoyed this theme, learning all about teachers, dentist, firemen and policemen. The children enjoyed dressing up and learning through role play what these people do to help us.

The children have been using their existing skills to help create and display wonderful artwork to represent their literacy, math and understanding the world, which are all linked to the KG theme.

The children will soon have the opportunity to take their learning outside of the classroom too. The weather is getting cooler and this experience will help the children to be critical thinkers giving the children time to explore and understand the world around them. This is a time when the children can grow and become innovative, confident learners, who are then able to reflect on all of what they have discovered.

At EMKG we have also been embracing the second step program, learning songs and reinforcing positive behavior strategies throughout the school day. This also works very well when it is enhanced at home.

At EMKG we will continue to maintain the vision and mission of our school, in that we are consistently challenging the children's learning and development as well as ensuring that the children have opportunities that can help them make a positive impact in themselves and within the world around them.

We aim to nurture the children so that they can become confident, independent learners in a multicultural environment.

I hope to see you soon during our upcoming parents evening.

Mrs. Sandra Hallows.

KG Principal

QATAR NATIONAL CURRICULUM DEPARTMENT

Assalam Alaykom, and welcome to 2019-2020 academic year.

We began to recognize the letters voice and form through a range of artistic activities such as forming letters with dough and paste dyeing, and in each session recognize words related to the letter studied.

At the beginning of this year, we welcomed the students and prepared them through games and various activities. The students were greeted and introduced to the atmosphere of the classroom and got to know each other. The students began recognizing the letters long and short sounds and their formations, through stories, songs and art as well as a variety of activities. In each lesson, the students are learning new words related to the letter learnt.

In Islamic education the students have practiced some Islamic values and habits, such as greeting in Islam and honesty; as well as recitation and memorizing, some short Surahs of Quran. The students also displayed remarkable interaction and positive results during their learning.

English Modern School Wakra held a workshop, attended by a number of EMS Wakra School & EMKG Kindergarten parents titled "The Relationship of Mental Growing to the Learning Process".

The workshop presented by Dr. Jalal Adi, who is the Head of Arabic Language and director of the National Program for all the Al-Muftah Group schools.

The workshop treated many growing stages, focusing on thinking and language stages for the students and their relationship to the learning process. In addition, the workshop clarified the fundamental of the

Sequence & Scope Map for the curriculum design, which is based on the students' levels and abilities in every year level. The topics of the workshop had been delivered in an effective discussion and brainstorming environment, which ended with a friendly side dialogues among the stakeholders, about the ways of developing the students learning opportunities in Arabic language.

We started collecting the participating applications for the Quran competition this month from our KG2 students; We wish them all the best in the contest this year.

Mr. Azam Rihan

Arabic Department Leader

PHYSICAL EDUCATION DEPARTMENT (PE)

Hello and welcome from the PE department.

We are looking forward to a new year of working with the excellent students. There are many areas that we cover in PE that we hope your child can enjoy and learn from.

KG1 & KG2 at EMKG children mostly spent outdoors exploring and experimenting different ways of movement such as running, jumping, crawling, skipping, in order to achieve the goals and objectives of this term. They have practiced their balancing skills and also have started learning activities which helps them to increase their control over an object such as pushing, throwing, and kicking.

We will continue to cover various sports and activities across the curriculum that are age-appropriate, along with stressing the importance of daily exercise and proper nutrition.

During our PE sessions we also address social skills such as "respect," "playing well together" and "good sportsmanship." The students are very fortunate to have PE as part of their school routine. The benefits of daily activity are numerous, as it's not only beneficial for their health but it also helps them academically. Having fun, whilst practicing a skill research tells us how this improves the child's abilities and helps them to feel a sense of accomplishment, especially when the effort is noticed and praised.

We hope the children enjoy PE as much as enjoy teaching it!

Isabelle Villaran

PE Teacher

Guidance and Counselling Department

Welcome to the Academic Year 2019-2020!

It is my hope that this school year be full of successful experiences for all students. The school counsellor works with students, parents, teachers and administrators to help make your child's school experience a success. We have introduced the Cambridge Learner Attributes to the students. Cambridge learners are confident, responsible, reflective, innovative, and engaged. Please feel free to contact me if you have any concerns about your child.

Parents

Please use the secondSTEP Character Education Program at home. Please visit www.secondstep.org and click tab/ Families.

Please use the secondSTEP: Bullying Prevention Unit Program home link. Please login to www.secondstep.org and register.

Thank you,

Dr. Mildred Stevenson
School Counselor

HEALTH & SAFETY

Welcome to the new academic year 2019 – 2020 at The English Modern Kindergarten.
Here are the updates from the health department;

ILLNESSES

Cold season is nearly coming. Parents are encouraged **NOT** to send their child to school if they are sick. All children should stay at home until they are fever free for **24 hours** without the use of Paracetamol. The school policy is set out to ensure the welfare of your child and for the protection of other students and staff.

Encourage your child to wash hands often, drink lots of fluids and get plenty of rest.

MEDICATION

All medications that your child needs to be taken during school hours should be sent directly to the nurse by an adult providing the correct dosage, time to be given & signature prepared by the trained doctor or nurse. Prepared medications and/or not in the correct bottle with an incorrect label will **NOT** be accepted. **Parents are encouraged NOT to put medication inside their child's bag.**

HEAD LICE

Head lice are common in school age & school setting. We need the help of the parents throughout the school year to please check your child's head for at least once or twice a week. Students found with head lice will be sent home and needs to be treated. Students may return to school once they have seen the nurse and after appropriate treatment.

Head lice inspection is one of the MOPH program and is implemented by the school from 1st term to 3rd term.

Please do not hesitate to contact the school nurse if you have any concerns. Thank you for your cooperation and have a healthy, fun school year!

Ms. Jessica Jazmin
School Nurse

Finance Department

Second term tuition fee is due on 25th November 2019 and the amount is 7947. All parents need to pay pay the second term fees on or before 25th December 2019.

FRONT OFFICE

Welcome to English Modern Kindergarten Reception.

The school receptionist is usually the first person you will meet at the Kindergarten.

I am here to greet, support and orient parents and school visitors to help them to communicate with the school management at EMKG.

I respectfully and professionally welcome all parents and visitors to the Kindergarten and ensure that all queries and inquiries are dealt with in a timely and respectable manner.

I enjoy being part of the EMKG team; my aim is to be a positive and supportive team member to all of the staff and students here at EMKG.

If you need to meet with the school management, faculty or other member of staff, please do not hesitate to come to the reception, complete a form, or call the Kindergarten, and I will be happy to schedule an appointment for you.

Ms. Bouthaina Ghidhaoui
School Secretary.

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

The school is well equipped with hi-tech digital and IT devices for students and staff. Each class room is equipped with desktops, projectors.

The school is equipped with high speed internet have access to a wifi network. More IT devices will be installed which will facilitate student learning through visual and audio media.

Thank you
Mr. Jabir C. Mannil
IT System Administrator