



# Junior Kindergarten Newsletter

Date: August 29-Sep 2nd

Welcome to Junior Kindergarten.



Dear parents,

It's been another busy week in JK. We have been practicing fine motor skills and we have used lots of exciting activities to reinforce these skills.

Fine motor skills can be defined as small muscle movements; those that occur in the finger, in coordination with the eye. These skills give the ability to write and manipulate small objects. Fine motor skills won't develop over night, but with time and practice they will improve.

We are busy learning the days of the week and the months of the year. Please reinforce them at home.

It would be great if you send for ( show and tell )items that begins with Aa. This encourages children's participation, as well as building self-esteem.

We have six day schedule at school. A new student joined our class, his name is Maan. so we have nine students now.

## **Day Four -Saturday**

We worked in our pencil control booklet; we draw lines of different shapes to help us build our fine motor skills. We made necklaces and bracelets with beads exercising our hand –eye coordination. We ended the day by listening to an exciting story on a cassette "Shy Little Kitten's Secret Place."

## **Day Five -Sunday**

We enjoyed making crowns and decorating them with our names. We were really proud of ourselves. We read the story "If You Give a Mouse a Cookie".

## **Day six -Monday**

We worked on our Pencil Control Booklet. We colored using water color. It was really nice .we will put the colored papers on our booklets. We also did many puzzle .We were introduced to

the color (orange) we colored a big carrot using water color, it was really fun! We colored other things that are orange too like; a basketball, an orange juice, and a pumpkin. Our teacher insists that we have to color inside the lines and we tried! At story time, we read two nice stories 'Today is Monday' because we are learning the days of the week. The other story was (If You Give a Mouse a Cookie.) Our teacher read it to us again so that we can understand it better, because we have some activities that relate to the story that we will do later.

### **Day One-Tuesday**

After all of our daily calendar activities, we practiced some dot-it-dot activities in our booklets. We played with dough using blunt scissors. We rolled balls and little snakes to develop our motor skills. We practiced writing our names on white boards. We read a story 'What is the Sun'

### **Day Two-Wednesday**

We started our day as usual with calendar activities, days of the week, names' game (Mr. clown), our song of the week (Five Little Monkeys).We did Pencil control activities. For our motor skill activity of the day, we practiced cutting shapes and sticking them in the right place .Wednesday was our Movie time! So, we watched a movie called 'Winnie the Pooh Helping Others'. Our second week of school is over!

Please note that:

Folders will be sent back home every Wednesday with the week's work.

Papers on the (Read and Return) side should be sent back on Saturday.

During the week I will be sending worksheets for pencil control and coloring. Please encourage your child to practice at home.

Talk to your child about the things he\she is doing in school and about different things around them to increase self- confidence.

'Show and Tell 'objects will stay in the class during the coming week for display and will be sent back home next Wednesday.

Here are some photos of last week's activities for you to enjoy!

Sincerely,

Mrs.Raeda Al-Nabulsi



Our new classmate **Maan!**



**Mujahid** made along necklace!



Working with yellow dough!



Balls and snakes of dough



Aallyah made a long one too!



Omar was busy painting



Wearing crowns we made ourselves

# JK Weekly Schedule

Sep 5<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup>

SAT 5 Day 3	SUN6 DAY 4	MON 7 DAY 5	TUE 8 DAY 6	WED 2nd DAY 1
8:30-9:00 Calendar activities	8:30-9:00 Calendar activities	8:30-9:0 Calendar activities	8:30-9:00 Calendar activities	8:30-9:00 Calendar activities
9:00-9:45 Show and tell “Aa things”	9:00-9:45 Class activity	9:00-9:45 Class activity	9:00-9:45 Class activity	9:00-9:45 Class activity
9:45-10:00 Snack time	9:45-10:00 Snack time	9:45-10:00 Snack time	9:45-10:00 Snack time	9:45-10:00 Snack time
10:00-10:15 Recess	10:00-10:15 Recess	10:00-10:15 Recess	10:00-10:15 Recess	10:00-10:15 Recess
10:15-11:00 Class activity	10:15-11:00 Class activity	10:15-11:00 Class activity	10:15-11:00 Class activity	10:15-11:00 Class activity
11:00-11:25 Reading time	11:00-11:25 Reading time	11:00-11:25 Reading time	11:00-11:25 Reading time	11:00-11:25 Movie Time

