



# Preschool Maple Tree Newsletter



Seeing where all the countries are on the map looked different to how we see it on the globe. We focused to hear all the information about this new world.



The different languages and the food was the best part about finding out about Mexico and Italy! Pizza and Tacos are our favourite.

## Activities Covered:

**International Week** was a whirlwind adventure! We went to **Mexico** and **Italy**, as well as **Portugal** and **Jordan**.

On **Sunday**, we learnt about the different languages, famous landmarks, food, traditional clothes, and currency in Italy and Mexico.

On **Monday**, we listened to a traditional folk tale from Italy called *'Sam's adventure to the Colosseum'* and from Mexico, *'Pollito Tito (Chicken Little)'* and *'El Pájaro y la Ballena (The Bird and the Whale)'*. We made a craft unique to each country, which was a pizza from Italy and a taco from Mexico.

On **Tuesday**, we dressed in the colours of the flag or traditional clothing of each country and participated in a parade. After that, we travelled with our passports around the school to get them stamped from all the different countries participating in the international week. We ate yummy food from Mexico, Italy, Portugal and Jordan.

On **Thursday**, we came to school dressed in our own country's attire or flag colours and enjoyed an international feast of foods unique to Qatar. This week taught us that every country carries its own story—woven from landscapes, languages, traditions, and the spirit of its people. From the vibrant festivals of Portugal to the Ancient structures in Mexico, from Jordan's rhythmic celebrations to Italy's flavourful foods, each nation contributes a distinct thread to the global tapestry.

## Upcoming Activities:

This week we'll come home to dive into our culture and traditions here in **Qatar** in **Qatar Week**. It's only fitting as the Qatar National Day approaches. We will learn some famous traditions of Qatar as well as celebrate its culture.

On **Sunday**, we will learn about all the beautiful animals we can find in our country and create an eagle using our handprints.

On **Monday**, we will take part in the Qatar National Day Celebrations coordinated by our Arabic Staff Teachers. All parents are welcome to come and watch us perform various aspects of the Qatari culture.

On **Tuesday**, we will learn of the meaning behind the flag and paint one for ourselves, as well as perform the national anthem proudly as we do.

On **Wednesday**, we will revisit our Doha bus trip and try to remember some of the landmarks we saw around the city. We will then take turns to build puzzles of these different landmarks.

**Wednesday** is also the last day of term 1 and school will end at 12:30 p.m. There will be no late pick-up service on this day. We kindly ask that you make the necessary arrangements to collect your children on time.

This has been a wonderful first term and we thank you dear parents for working together with us to make your child's transition to school a simple exercise!



Fun with flags!



Parades are so exciting. We can't wait to do this again.



Viva Mexico for the dress up Champs of the Maple Tree Class!

We sang and danced Spanish songs and learned how to count to ten too!

### Tips for home:

- Please ensure your child gets to bed at a reasonable hour so he/she is ready to learn when they get to school.
- Display your child's work from school to help build a sense of pride in their accomplishments.
- Read the **weekly newsletter**, so that you keep up to date on what is happening.



Thank you to all the parents who contributed to our feast on Thursday!

### Upcoming Events:

**Monday 15<sup>th</sup> - Qatar National Day Celebrations.**

We will participate in cultural activities.

Children are asked to come to school dressed in the colours of the Qatari flag, maroon and white.

### Last day of term 1

The school will end at 12:30 p.m. on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> December and there will be no late pick-up service.

### First day of Term 2

The school will resume on Monday, 5<sup>th</sup> of January 2026.



Building friendships as we travel the world together was another highlight of the week.

To see more photos of our adventures in learning be sure to visit our [website](#), [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#)

### Final Note:

We wish you all a Happy National Day and a wonderful winter break!

