

Marhaba! Spring is almost here and we're very excited to see the sun again. April is Arab American Heritage month. We will do many hands-on-activities, craft and arts during this month related to Arab Cultures. Also, we will have our annual Fatoush (Arabic Salad) day at the end of April or beginning of May and you will receive a letter about what we will need as a donation. We also have Arabiqa Assembly on Thursday, April 11th at 1:30pm by Karim Nagi. Arabiqa's goal is to demonstrate the depth of Arab art as exemplified music and dance. Karim Nagi is a native Egyptian drummer, DJ, composer and folk dancer.



### 3rd grade:

Students are learning about animals. They will learn how to say I have, she has and he has in Arabic. Thank you for sharing pet pictures to share in class. It will be very fun to practice the sentences using the students' pictures. Soon, we will learn school materials and supplies. Culturally, during the month of April we will learn about Zugaib who is an Arab American artist.

### 2nd grade:

Students are learning how to express their feelings with at least 3 different words. We are learning now colors, and soon we will learn shapes, fruits and vegetables. We are going to talk about our favorite fruits in Arabic class as part of our unit the Hungry Caterpillar, by Eric Carle. At one point I will send a letter with details about sending in some fruit to share with the class.

### 4th grade:

Students will learn how to say different school subjects/ classes. We will keep working on some Arabic Alphabet. We are learning the difference between Short and long vowels. Culturally, we will focus on folktales stories of the Arab countries and how stories are important part of every culture.

### 5th grade:

Students will learn how to talk more about their favorite subject in school, birthday date and asking many questions. Students also will keep practicing Arabic Alphabets. Culturally, we will focus on Arab American author/writers to celebrate National Arab American Heritage Month in April.



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