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Letter to Parents

Dear Parents,

Over the next few days those of us in JR.KG.will be learning about “Patterns”. This unit is part of the early years programme of the International Primary Curriculum. This new curriculum has been specially written for young children and sets out clearly what children should learn in four groups or “strands” — these are called “Independence and Interdependence”, “Communicating”, “Exploring”, and “Healthy Living”.

The activities, which have been planned, will cover these strands in the following ways:

Independence and Interdependence

The children will explore patterns and this will help them to understand diversity. They will have opportunities to play alone, alongside and with other children.

Communicating

We will look at patterns in words — especially rhyme and rhythm. The children will also spend a lot of time creating their own patterns, employing a variety of processes of art and craft.

Exploring

The children will look for patterns and be encouraged to think logically. They will be able to choose and experiment with materials, play around with ideas and actively explore with all their senses.

Healthy Living

The children will have the opportunity throughout the theme to develop the skills of making choices, paying attention and concentrating.

We will begin this theme on Wednesday, 17th August 2011 by having a “special patterned clothes” day. The children — and staff — will be wearing their favourite patterned outfits — and anything goes!! Generally interact with children and let them identify and discuss various patterns in their homes and surroundings. Use this [Link](http://easyweb.easynet.co.uk/~iany/patterns/edelweiss.htm) to talk about the various patterns in life

As always, I welcome any support or suggestions, which you may have.

Yours faithfully,

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