

The Oryx Online
Primary
07.01.22

# Mr. Holliday's Highlight of the Week

We have been incredibly impressed with how our students have adapted to online learning this week. It has been wonderful to see a huge range of learning activities going on at home, including home workouts, wonderfully creative pieces of art and some impressive science experiments!

#### **Important Updates**

Today, parents received a letter from Mr. Flint regarding the new timings of the school day, beginning 17th January. You can also <u>read the letter HERE</u> and view the <u>new timings HERE</u>. On Monday afternoon, I will share details of new pick up routines with parents. This is largely the same with some adjustments, so please do look out for the communication; it will be shared as a Seesaw message. Please also read the 'Additional Information' page for updates.



When on school premises, can we ask that parents ensure their SVS Yellow Lanyards are worn at all times, and the students wear their RFID card Blue lanyards at all times.

If parents forget their lanyard, they will need their Emirates ID to sign in for a visitor's pass.

For Parents of children in Years 3-6 - please read the 'Additional Information' page for updates about Bring Your Own Device.

# Upcoming Primary Dates

- 21st Jan International Day student cultural/national dress and class presentations from students encouraged
- 24th Jan INSET Day schoo closed to students
- 25th Jan EYFS Sports Day
- 26th Ian KS1 Sports Day
- 27th Ian KS2 Sports Dav
- Now 31st 2nd Feb Yr 5+6 camp
- Now 3rd 4th Feb Yr 3+4 camp
- Term 2 competitions vs VHPS

   Arabic Poetry, Poetry,
   TTRockstars, dates TBC

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# Assistant Head of Primary - Scarlett Whistlecroft

This term we plan to host sports days and participate in the World School Games. SVS is also entered into numerous inter school sporting and academic competitions.

We have several Expo trips planned and booked as well as the Y5-6 & Y3-4 residential trips and the Year 5 and Year 6 performance of Peter Pan.

Details for the above events will be communicated in the following weeks as soon as we get updated guidance from KHDA.

We are very much looking forward to our whole school Book Week and MADD week (Music, Art, Drama and Dance). We also can't wait to celebrate International Day and enjoy a range of Year Group theme days including our traditional Y5 Space day and Y2 Ugly Bug parade! These events are being planned and will be delivered within the parameters of the live and latest guidance at the time of the event.

#### Miss. Harriet Vaisey – Head of Maths

What an exciting start to term it has been in the world of Maths!
The term has kicked off with our Winter Break 'Battle of the Bands' result, with the winning class from each year group earning themselves a Pizza Party! Congratulations to those classes – stay tuned for pizza!
Next up, we have an interschool Times Table Rock Stars competition with Victory Heights. Students from both schools will compete to show off their times tables skills, but which school will be champion?







The Oryx Online EYFS 07.01.22

## Mrs. Patton's Reminders

Welcome back! I hope you all had a wonderful winter break, full of exciting adventures, enjoyable activities, and spending quality time with your loved ones.

Although this is not how we anticipated starting Term 2, I would like to say how incredibly proud I am of all the FS children. The move to Distance Learning has shown how flexible, diverse, and resilient they can be. The children have engaged with live Zoom lessons, completed Seesaw activities and all with a smile on their faces.

I want to thank parents for their support and for ensuring a safe and productive home learning environment for the children to access their DL in such a positive manner.

#### Mrs. Eisha Patton Head of EYFS



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Upcoming EYFS Dates

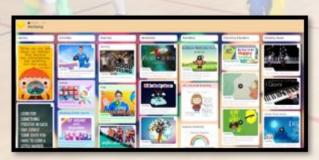
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cultural/national dress
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24th Jan - INSET Day school closed to
students
25th Jan - EYFS Sports
Day

# Wellbeing in EYFS

We understand that online learning is not ideal for young children and their families and that wellbeing needs to be at the forefront of everything we do.

Click the link to access a Wellbeing Padlet Page. Here, you can access many different websites, activities, kindness videos, quotes, relaxing and feel-good music, and healthy lifestyle tips.

https://padlet.com/misslyons/9nv5we5po5x4iytu





# The Oryx Online Student Support Services 07.01.22

# Counselling Provision at South View School

SVS is pleased to announce Mrs Sarah Benaud has joined the team as our new Whole School Counsellor.

Sarah is an experienced Social Worker (BSW University of Sydney Australia) with over 12 years experience in schools, in patient mental health facilities, emergency departments and areas of critical care in Hospitals around Australia.

Sarah's clinical expertise ranges from social work counselling, case management, assessment, crisis intervention, along with a vast understanding of mental illness, child protection, drug health, domestic violence and grief and loss/ trauma.

Mrs. Laura Stokes
Head of Student
Support







Sarah's approach to clinical practice is strengths-based with an anti-oppressive approach to empower students to build their resilience. Sarah takes on a person-centered approach to support students overcome challenges and build capacity within themselves.

Sarah joins us after leaving her post at Kellett School, the British International School in Hong Kong. Sarah is excited to work with the students, parents and staff to support and promote the wellbeing of the South View School community.

If you have concerns about your child's mental health or wellbeing, please speak to your Class Teacher for further support.



# The Oryx Online Arabic and Islamic 07.01.22

# Mr. Hassan's Highlight of the Week

We have welcomed a new term with some new students starting in both Arabic A and Arabic B sections. We have also welcomed some familiar faces, who are continuing their learning journey after an enjoyable Winter Break!

Arabic classes have settled in very fast with distance learning this week. Our main focus was to re-engage with some vocabulary and grammar that students have already learned in Arabic, so that it stays fresh in their mind. It is also particularly important that we - as language teachers - continue to bring previous learning to mind so that students can apply this knowledge to a new context/topic.

Mr Ahmed Hassan Head of Arabic



Mr Abdelhamed Kerba Head of Islamic Studies



# Mr. Kerba's Highlight of the Week

This week, Islamic students started the new term with an excellent attitude of learning.

Students follow and engage well through Zoom and attendance has been excellent. As always, we begin each term with revision of what students have learned and identify any gaps they may have. We can then adjust our planning and start new topics for next week.

Well done to the Islamic students and we are looking forward to seeing you soon.



# The Oryx Online Additional Information 07.01.22

Dear Parents of children in Years 3-6.

In order to ensure that we maintain a safe and responsible approach to the use of technology at SVS and in accordance with sound educational practice, it is necessary that all parents sign and agree to the following key documents:

- Acceptable Use Policy (AUP): This explains and lays down the criteria for using ICT facilities at SVS and is geared to ensure equal access as well as smooth and appropriate ( use. It ai<mark>ms t</mark>o ensure an u<mark>nd</mark>erstanding of the use of technology and guard again<mark>st u</mark>ses' that may cause upset or damage to individuals, groups or the school.
- Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) Policy: This is necessary for anyone wishing to use their own device(s) in schoo<mark>l or connect to the school's ICT infrastructure. Similar to t</mark>he AUP, it clearly lays down how devices should and should not be used in order to ensure safe access and positive use. It also explains what needs to be done technically to ensure that the device user complies with usage safety regulations and is able to ensure a high level of safety integrity for their device.

As both of these documents relate directly to the school's Safeguarding and Child Protection Policy, are included in the inspection framework and are globally regarded as baseline requirements for school operations, your support in signing and returning these agreements is greatly appreciated.

If you have any questions in respect of the attached, please contact us as follows:

For technical questions in respect of technology: itsupport@southview.ae

For any other queries: admissions@southview.ae

Kind regards

**SVS Team** 



Please click the link below for more information on:

Social Media and Mental Health

#### **Contact Details**

- reception@southview.ae

- accounts@southview.ae

Tel: 045897904



#### Social Media Take me to...

#### Twitter

#togetherweSmile #togetherweValue #togetherweSucceed **#Positivity,Always** 

**Facebook** 

<u>Instagram</u>

**School Website** 

Happy & Safe New Year to All!

With the new Omicron variant, we understand that the threat of Covid-19 is not waning soon. We would like to remind our student and parent body to continue being cautious and follow the Covid safety protocols.

As per the last update for DHA guidelines, the quarantine period after being tested positive for Covid is 10 days. This is counted from the day you have given sample for testing. Post completion of 10 days quarantine and receiving clearance certificate from DHA, you are good to join back school.

In case you are a close contact - (spending more than 15 minutes within 1 metre range of a positive case), the quarantine period is 7 days. During this period, if you start to show symptoms of Covid-19, you will be required to undergo a PCR test. In case you show no symptoms, you can return to school.

Parents are reminded that they are not permitted to enter the school building at drop-off or pick-up times.







# FS<sub>1</sub>







# FS1's PE days are Monday and Wednesday. Our Term 2A theme is: Under the Sea

KHDA guidance has mandated that there will be no swimming next week. PE will be pre-recorded or class-based theory. We are awaiting updates for Swimming and PE provision for wb 17th January from the KHDA.

#### **Important Reminders:**

Please ensure library books are returned on Tuesdays to allow new ones to be sent home on Wednesdays. Please ensure you call or email <u>reception@southview.ae</u> and use the subject SICKNESS, or telephone: +971 45897904 each day, before 8.00am if your child is going to be absent due to sickness.

#### **Overview of Next Week's Learning:**

#### Communication, Language and Literacy:

- -To be able to write some or all letters of our name
- To enjoy listening to longer stories and to remember much of what happens.

Phonics: To continue to develop our awareness of rhythm and rhyme.

**PSED:** To talk about our feelings such as 'happy', 'sad', 'angry' or 'worried'.

Maths: To link numerals to amounts and to compare quantities using the language: more than and fewer than.

**UTW:** To begin to understand the need to respect and care for the natural environment and living things.

**EAD:** To be able to join different materials and explore different textures.

*Music*: To remember and sing/chant an entire song or poem.

PE:

DL students:

- -To maintain balance whilst travelling over apparatus & running & changing direction.
- To perform a variety of moving and jumping activities.

Pupils in school will focus on healthy lifestyles.

# Miss Ruse's Highlight of the Week

This week, I would just like to say how proud we are as a department of how the children have adapted to online learning and for the amazing support and dedication we continue to receive from our families. We understand that online learning is not an ideal situation for most parents but we are blown away by the effort and support you continue to demonstrate, so thank you!

The children have particularly enjoyed their Space Adventures in P.E.

We cannot wait to explore our new topic of Under the Sea!







	FS2A	FS2B	FS2C	FS2D	FS2E	FS2F	FS2G
Library	Tue	Mon	Mon	Mon	Tues	Sun	Tues

#### Our Term 2A Theme is: Long, Long Ago

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Please ensure children bring a change of clothes with them daily

A gentle reminder to ensure children bring their Reading Log to school daily.

#### **Overview of Next Week's Learning:**

**PSED:** To express our feelings and consider the feelings others.

**Phonics:** To recognise the letters 'h' and 'b' by saying their sounds.

**Maths:** To explore the composition of numbers to 10 and to explore the properties of 3D shapes.

**UTW:** To make predictions about living things.

**Music:** To return to and build on previous learning, refining our abilities.

**Communication, Language and Literacy:** To listen to stories and discuss them.

PE:

#### For DL students:

To maintain balance whilst travelling over apparatus & running & changing direction.

- To perform a variety of moving and jumping activities.

Pupils in school will focus on healthy lifestyles.

# Miss Walker's Highlight of the Week

This week, with the move to distance learning, it is safe to say it was not the start to the term we anticipated! However, FS2 have absolutely blown me away. They have risen to the challenge of distance learning with flexibility and incredible resilience. They have come to live lessons excited, with a big smile of their faces, and have engaged fantastically during these lessons! As a team we are incredibly proud of our students! Thank you for your support in making this possible.

This week, we started exploring composing numbers in Maths and learnt 2 new sounds in Phonics. We also kicked off our new topic Long, long ago and cannot wait to continue exploring dinosaurs this term!





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	1A	1B	1C	1D	1E	1F	1G
Library	Mon	Mon	Thurs	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri

Our Term 2A topic is: Bright Lights, Big City

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- Laptops are fully-charged and headphones are in school every day
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#### **Overview of Next Week's Learning:**

Maths: To identify tens and ones.

Reading: To answer questions about a given text

Writing: To innovate a story

Science: To identify the properties of materials.

MSC: To listen carefully to the views of others.

ICT: To use and navigate Seesaw safely

CPA: To develop understanding by imagining ideas.

Music: To experiment with, create and select sounds

PE: For DL students: To throw a range of different throwing objects. Pupils in school will have a theory lesson & healthy lifestyle focus

Arabic: To write from memory simple words dictated by the teacher that include letters they have learnt

# Miss Stanton's Highlight of the Week

The Year 1 team would like to welcome you back to another term at South View! We have some exciting learning planned for our new topic, Bright Lights, Big City and are looking forward to taking the children on a London adventure! It has definitely not been the start we anticipated with the move to online learning however we are so impressed with how the children have adjusted and the enthusiasm they have shown. We have had a wonderful time exploring London through our new story, The Queen's Hat, and have visited some amazing landmarks along the way. The children have also done well and getting to grips with the concept of 10s and 1s in Maths.













	2A	2B	2C	2D	2E
Library	Wednesday	Friday	Friday	Friday	Wednesday

#### Our Term 2A topic is: Wriggle and Crawl

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#### **Overview of Next Week's Learning:**

Maths: To use arrays to support multiplication

Reading: To make a prediction

Writing: To describe a character using similes.

Science: To name animals and their habitats

MSC (moral social cultural studies): To understand traditional storytelling

ICT: To use technology safely

CPA: To speak audibly and fluently with an increasing command of standard English.

Music: To experiment with, create, select and combine sounds using the inter-related dimensions of music.

PE: DL students: To throw a range of different throwing objects. Pupils in school will have a theory lesson & healthy lifestyle focus. Arabic الدرية عن على البحر المداولة عن الكلمة عن ا

Arabic P: To identify words related to the school and classroom

Islamic: To recall that Islamic belief has pillars, (Pillars of Iman)

# Miss Dye's Highlight of the Week

Happy New Year and welcome back! This week, we have begun our term with online learning, but we hope to see all of your happy faces again soon! Year 2 have been amazing online this week! The behaviour and participation online has made your teachers proud. Even though we have been on zoom and Seesaw, all of you have continued to keep up with our high work expectations and the work you have been producing at home has been fantastic! We particularly enjoyed our art activity this week using cotton buds to create a piece of art inspired by pop art! We used bright colours and different skills to create a pop art portrait. Next week we look forward to using our portrait knowledge to focus on Pablo Picasso and create an abstract portrait!











Library and book change day: Thursday (for all year 3 classes).



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for Swimming and PE provision for wb 17th January from the KHDA.

Our Term 2A topic is: Tremors

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#### **Overview of Next Week's Learning:**

Maths: To count in 2s, 4, 5, and 8s.

Reading: To explore the structure of a text and sequence a story plot.

Writing: To plan and discuss writing by learning from its structure, vocabulary and grammar.

Science: To explore how shadows are formed.

MSC (moral social cultural studies): To to discuss the founding fathers of the UAE

CPA: To present lines meaningfully and with purpose.

Music: To use voice and movement to create their own expressive performance

PE: DL Students: To develop fluency and coordination in running for speed. Pupils in school will have a theory lesson & healthy lifestyle focus. .

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Arabic B: To write sentences about some animals using the new words, verbs, colours and adjectives.

Islamic: To clarify the meaning of performing proper wudū' and its reward. Performing Wudū' (Ablution) well.

MFL: To recall months of the year in the language.

# Miss Ryan's Highlight of the Week

Happy New Year and welcome back to term 2 at SVS.

This week has not been the start any of us had anticipated for our new year and new term! However, the children have yet again exceeded our expectations with their work ethic and determination when faced with a challenge. They have been resilient in all aspects of distance learning and have produced work of a great standard. The students followed the zoom protocols with ease and engaged enthusiastically with the online tasks. We are very proud of them and all they have achieved this week.

In maths, we have started to explore multiplication using various methods such as skip counting, repeated addition and multiplication. In English, we have began looking at the features of a newspaper report, all the children were very engrossed in their learning about volcanoes coinciding with our new topic 'Tremors'

We look forward to another fantastic week of learning ahead!







Library and book change day: Tuesday (for all Y4 classes)

KHDA guidance has mandated that there will be no swimming next week. PE will be pre-recorded or class-based theory. We are awaiting updates for Swimming and PE provision for wb 17th January from the KHDA.

Our Term 2A topic is: Misty Mountain

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#### **Overview of Next Week's Learning:**

Maths: To use written methods to solve multiplication equations.

Reading: To retrieve information from non-fiction texts.

Writing: To understand the key features of report writing

Science: To measure and research at what temperature some materials change state.

MSC (moral social cultural studies): To identify urban, suburban and rural areas

CPA: To present lines meaningfully and with purpose.

Music: To use voice and movement to create their own expressive performance.

PE: DL students: To develop fluency and coordination in running for speed. Pupils in school will have a theory lesson & healthy lifestyle focus.

بقدو عرضًا تقديمًا شفويًا لقصة در سفاه اضغًا لما مقدمة ووسطا ونفاية، مضمنًا عرضه تفصيلات لتطوير الشخصيات والمكان Arahic A

Arabic B: To write sentences about the seasons and weather, using the new words, verbs and adjectives.

Islamic: To draw out the etiquette of visiting and hospitality.

MFL: To apply new vocabulary about seasons and weather.

# Miss O'Connor's Highlight of the Week

This week, Year 4 started the new term with an excellent attitude. The students and teachers alike had to be adaptable as we moved to distance learning. As always, the Year 4 cohort rose to the challenge and we experienced a productive week. The students followed the zoom protocols with ease and engaged enthusiastically with the online tasks.

The beginning of a new term means the beginning of a new topic. We began our topic 'Misty Mountain' and we are looking forward to working through this new content over the coming weeks. Well done to all students on a great start. We are really looking forward to this coming term.









Library and book change day: Monday (for all year 5 classes).

KHDA guidance has mandated that there will be no swimming next week. PE will be pre-recorded or class-based theory. We are awaiting updates for Swimming and PE provision for wb 17th January from the KHDA.

Our Term 2A topic is: Scream Machine

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#### **Overview of Next Week's Learning:**

Maths: To be able to multiply large numbers using a variety of methods.

Reading: To understand and be able to answer different types of comprehension questions

Writing: To decode and analyse poetry.

Science: To understand the workings of different mechanisms regarding forces.

MSC (moral social cultural studies): To interpret information from a variety of maps

CPA: To develop the ability to captivate an audience through both vocal communication

Music: To use their imagination to create an expressive performance through body and vocal

PE: DL students: To develop fluency and coordination in running for speed. Pupils in school will have a theory lesson & healthy lifestyle focus.

يستنج العلاقة الزمنية بين السبب والنتيجة بين مجموعة من الأحداث :Arabic A

Arabic B: To make a conversation and ask someone about his/her daily routine in Arabic.

Islamic: To distinguish between the fard prayers and the sunan rawātib.

MFL: To tell the time and to talk about daily routine.

# Mrs Barlow's Highlight of the Week

In Year 5 this week, despite the change to distance learning, the students have returned from the winter break full of excitement and enthusiasm for our new topic. Year 5 Students have shown fantastic resilience to the changes and have engaged and participated in online learning lessons and activities with maturity and a 'can do' attitude. They have been introduced to the new topic, 'Scream Machine' and have had a formal introduction to how this topic will be imbedded into each of their subjects. In maths, we have started by looked at multiplying increasingly bigger numbers using a variety of methods. In English, we have started to read an old poem called, 'The Highwayman' and have looked at the figurative language that the author has used, along with creating our own images using the metaphors we found within the poem. Finally, in science we have started to learn about the different types of forces and how sport is a great example of forces in action.











Library and book change day: Wednesday (for all Y6 classes)

KHDA guidance has mandated that there will be no swimming next week. PE will be pre-recorded or class-based theory. We are awaiting updates for Swimming and PE provision for wb 17th January from the KHDA.

Our Term 2A topic is: Tomorrow's World

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#### **Overview of Next Week's Learning:**

Maths: To solve problems containing negative numbers.

Reading: To identify the meaning of vocabulary in context

Writing: To use a biographical style within my writing

Science: To review key scientific concepts

MSC (moral social cultural studies): To understand changes with the development of the U.A.E

CPA: To develop the ability to captivate an audience through both vocal and physical communication

Music: To use their imagination to create an expressive performance through body and vocal.

PE: DL students: To develop fluency and coordination in running for speed. Pupils in school will have a theory lesson & healthy lifestyle focus. .

يفسر المفردات الجديدة من خلال سياقتها المختلفة: Arabic A:

Arabic B: To write simple sentences –simple paragraph about health services.

Islamic: To explain the etiquette of using means of transportation.

MFL: To apply new vocabulary to describe the sports I do

# Miss McCandless' Highlight of the Week

Welcome back! We hope that you all had a peaceful and relaxing break and that you enjoyed some quality time with your families over the winter break. Although the start of Term Two has not quite been as we had anticipated, the Year Six teachers have been so impressed with the resilience and flexibility of the students as they have completed their distance learning this week. We have been so proud of the attitudes to learning and the quality of work being submitted and would like to say a big 'thank you' to the children and parents for making this week run so smoothly and for helping to make it enjoyable too! In English this week, the children have started a new unit all about biographies, and have been learning about the passive voice. In maths, we have been revising mental strategies, and in science, we have revised what we know so far about electricity, and had a look into the underlying themes of Expo 2020. An unexpected, but very successful week- we look forward to seeing lots more wonderful learning next week!





The Oryx Online
PE and House Teams
07.01.22

Dear Parents and Students, Happy new year!!!

In light with the impact of the pandemic and the necessity of Distance Learning, the PE department has decided to postpone the trials for Term 2 SVS competitive squads teams. Swimming, athletics, girls football, aquathon and tag rugby will be our focus sports. The PE department conducted trials during PE lessons on the last few weeks of Term 1 and is planning to do extra trials sessions. We will inform you, about dates and registration procedure, as soon as we have more updates from the school and KHDA.

- <u>Cross country, netball and boys football competitions</u> have finished and therefore there will be no more training sessions.
- <u>Swim squad</u> will maintain the same team and we will schedule a trial session for new SVS students.
- <u>Tag rugby</u> A registration form, was previously sent to parents to book their child place on the trial session, We will resend it as soon as we have a confirmation date.
- <u>Girls football, aquathon and athletics</u> Trials were done in the PE lessons. Parents from the selected students will be inform accordingly.

We are looking forward to continue improving our students performance in other sports, to encourage them to work in a team, to build their trust and to lead them to an healthy active life.

KHDA guidance has mandated that there will be no swimming next week. PE will be pre-recorded or class-based theory. We are awaiting updates for Swimming and PE provision for wb 17th January from the

## Mrs. Sonia Teodoro



#### **House Teams**



Miss Judy Murphy

## House Teams News

I hope you all had a safe and enjoyable Winter Break.

Well done to everyone for adapting so quickly to Distance Learning this week, you are all showing your adaptability, sense of responsibility and your ability to persevere through difficult situations.

There were some house competitions running over Winter Break and the entries to these were excellent, I really enjoyed looking at all of your Sports Day flags and listening to the House Chants which you created.

House points for all entries have been added to the House Points app and the total scores can be seen below.

You still have a chance to win some more points for your houses by entering the House Chant competition as the closing date has been moved to Friday 14th of January. Please submit your entries on Seesaw.



Terra
Zain Osman
2195 points



Aqua Kinda Shody 1643 points



Ignis
Ithai Mtengwa
1797 points



Aeris
Amaya Haroon
2125 points