

# ***ESL (ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE)***

## ▪ **OVERVIEW**

Our ESL Division offers a comprehensive program for second language learners, with experienced instructors and Private, Semi-Private and Group Lessons available for students of all ages. Our goal is to help students build a strong foundation of English language skills so they can continue building and expanding their communication skills and knowledge throughout their lives.

## ▪ **PRIVATE & SEMI-PRIVATE LESSONS**

Private lessons give students the opportunity to work one-on-one with an instructor on all academic areas, especially those areas that need the most attention. The instructor will make every effort to tailor each lesson to help the student gain the skills needed to succeed academically. Each student's program is carefully planned for optimum results.

Semi-private lessons are ideal for those who prefer the interaction with, and support of, another student. The instructor will plan the lessons to make certain that each student receives individual attention, while maintaining a cooperative learning environment.

## ▪ **READING PROGRAM**

SLK's individual reading programs are determined by the student's level and learning style. The reading programs consist of phonics and pronunciation, vocabulary building (including idioms and figurative language), and reading comprehension skills.

***Through acquiring reading strategies that are essential in analyzing and evaluating nonfiction and fiction, students will develop from passive to active readers.***

Some of these strategies include: sequencing, finding details, understanding the main idea, cause and effect, predicting outcomes using clues, and understanding characters.

