



EMIRATES INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL – MEADOWS

Primary School Home Learning Policy

Rationale

Home learning for students is purposeful, engages students in authentic tasks and is designed in such a way to help students:

- Develop independent work habits and self-management skills
- Reinforce skills, attitudes, concepts and knowledge learned in class
- Demonstrate newly acquired skills and understandings

Home learning is directly related to the concepts being studied in class and should be able to be completed by students, independently. Parents are encouraged to monitor the Home Learning process and provide support to their children without being the teacher.

EISM Home Learning philosophy

Home Learning has often been referred to as being like a medicine. If you take too little it has no effect, if you take too much it can harm you. In order to find the right balance we provide our parents and students with the ability to self-assess the amount of Home Learning that they require. It allows for flexibility with their time commitment, providing every student with a selection of engaging tasks that build upon their in school learning whilst further enhancing their understanding in a real life context.

Home Learning will take the form of a choice grid, where students pick the activities they wish to complete. There will be a new choice grid uploaded for each Unit of Inquiry and evidence, where applicable, can be uploaded into the Home Learning folder on Seesaw. At the end of each Unit of Inquiry we celebrate those students who have completed the greatest number of Home Learning tasks.

Procedures

1. The Home learning grid will be shared at the start of each Unit of Inquiry
2. Students complete tasks at their own speed and upload the work (if applicable) into their Seesaw Folder
3. Parents are able to sign off that tasks have been completed if they wish
4. Additional tasks may be set by Arabic and Islamic staff to support in class learning
5. Compulsory Home learning will not be given on weekends or holidays
6. Students are also encouraged and expected to engage in daily reading
7. Home learning will be regularly monitored by teachers so that students receive feedback on their work