

HOMEWORK POLICY

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Introduction

In KHAS, we encourage the formation of partnerships between home and school. One of the ways in which this has been established is through homework activities, as we strongly believe that homework is a vital aspect of school life that helps cultivate skills for life and work. As an extension of classwork, homework should:

- Be meaningful and interesting.
- Have a very clear focus and time-guideline
- Be varied – and not purely written assignments or screen-based
- Further develop learning and practicing crucial skills like time management
- Reinforce the content of the daily curriculum, especially in Math and languages
- Help in attaining grade-level outcomes
- Ensure some independent research
- Inform parents what is currently being studied in school

Homework Guidelines

- Homework responsibilities are defined and communicated to students and parents by teachers.
- Homework assignments are announced weekly on the school's parents' portal under the category of *Weekly Plan*.
- Homework assignments primarily focus on literacy and numeracy in primary school.
- Students are expected to complete all homework assignments.
- Students receive prompt, clear feedback on their work from teachers.
- Teachers communicate with parents of students who fall behind in completing homework assignments.

TEACHER GUIDELINES

Teachers are required to:

- Demonstrate how homework can be a rich learning experience
- Promote independent learning
- Ensure that the homework is relevant to the work done in class
- Assign a variety of homework types e.g. research, written, reading, project etc.
- **Differentiate:** Be mindful of differing levels of ability among students and pitch expectations accordingly.
- Give guidelines regarding the successful completion of homework and submission of work on time.
- Demonstrate and give examples of correctly completed homework.
- Monitor and correct homework and give formative feedback to students.
- Use the data to improve student attainment and progress.

STUDENT GUIDELINES

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Students are expected to:

- Stay updated with the homework schedule shared through the school's online platforms.
- Seek clarification from teachers if they are unsure about any assignment.
- Complete and submit homework on time.
- Follow teachers' instructions and meet them during the school day if additional help is needed.
- Review and learn from the corrections and feedback provided.
- Take responsibility for catching up on any work missed during absences.

PARENT GUIDELINES

Parents are expected to:

- Promote daily reading at home, especially for younger children.
- Provide a quiet, organized study space, along with enough time and resources for homework.
- Encourage a regular daily homework routine, while ensuring a healthy balance with recreational activities.
- Set a consistent homework schedule at home.
- Discuss homework with their child by asking questions and checking understanding of the tasks.
- Communicate with teachers if the homework is too challenging for their child.
- Monitor how long their child spends on homework and share feedback with teachers regarding workload and time management.

EXPECTATIONS: Homework Timetable

- A structured homework timetable is designed to fairly distribute tasks across subjects and ensure a manageable workload for students.
- In primary school, English and Arabic homework will be assigned three times per week.
- Mathematics homework will be given daily for reinforcement and practice.

HOMEWORK TIMETABLE

Primary School (1 to 4)

Subject	Time Required	Submission Day/s
Arabic	15 to 20 minutes	Monday/Wednesday/Thursday
English	15 to 20 minutes	Monday/ Tuesday/ Thursday
Math	15 minutes	Monday to Thursday
Other Subjects (ICT, Social Studies & Islamic Studies)	10 to 15 minutes	Once a month on a Thursday
Science	15 to 20 minutes	Wednesday
Note	Dictation/ Spelling in English and Arabic will be there alternative weeks for Arabic and English.	

Middle School (5 to 8)

Subject	Time Required	Day
Arabic	20 to 30 minutes	Monday & Thursday
English	20 to 30 minutes	Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday
Math	20 to 30 minutes	Monday to Thursday
Science	30 to 45 minutes	Thursday
Other Subjects (ICT, Social Studies & Islamic Studies)	10 to 15 minutes	Once a month on a Tuesday

High School (9 and 10)

Subject	Time Required	Submission Day/s
Arabic	20 to 30 minutes	Thursday
English	30 to 40 minutes	Monday
Math	30 to 40 minutes	Monday/ Wednesday
Physics	30 minutes	Tuesday
Chemistry	30 minutes	Tuesday
Biology	30 minutes	Thursday
Other Subjects (ICT, Social Studies, Business & Islamic Studies)	15 to 20 minutes	Once a month on a Wednesday

Examinations & Weekend work

- There is an expectation that in the weeks during the internal examination period, there will be no homework set, apart from revision.
- As the weekend extends for three days, students are expected to dedicate a few hours during their weekend to complete homework assignments, but this should not be excessive.

Notes for Teachers

- Finishing off – must be avoided as a homework task as it is often the struggling students who need to ‘finish off’ work.
- Covering a book must never be set as homework under any circumstances.