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# EGYPT BRITISH INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

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## Year 1 Home Learning Activities

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Key Stage 1 Department

## Year 1 Homework & Home Challenges Information



*'At the end of the day, the most overwhelming key to a child's success is the positive involvement of parents.'* Jane D. Hull

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> October, 2018

Dear Parents,

This letter will hopefully entail all the information you need to know concerning Year 1 home challenges, home reading and other homework.

### KS1 Home Challenges

Home Challenges are a new style of homework that gives parents the opportunity to be involved in child's education. Our aim is to give homework that provides opportunities to:

- Consolidate or extend learning in school.
- Practise skills learnt in school across different contexts.
- Develop character skills: teamwork, independence, resilience, understanding and managing feelings, empathy, considering actions.

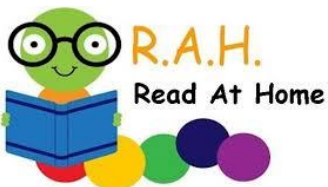
Our 'Home Challenges' provide fun and engaging activities that link to what we are covering in school. It also provides an excellent opportunity to extend learning and practice skills across a wide range of subjects. Some activities require adult support to complete, whilst others can be completed more independently.

Every week, your child will receive a 'Home Challenge' to complete. The challenge will be a fun and engaging activity that relates to the learning your child is undertaking in school. These challenges are empowering learning tasks that will develop important 'life skills'.

The focus for the home challenge is on the quality of work. The home challenges are based on three key principles:

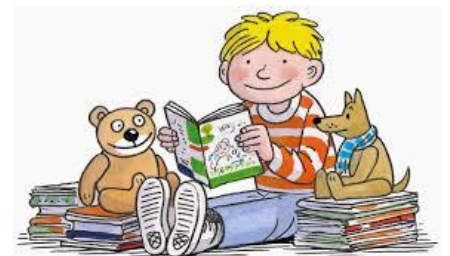
1. Be creative.
2. Show good presentation.
3. Always try your best.

### KS1 Home Reading



Year 1 children received their reading bags today. If you have not received any books, it will be because you haven't sent in your child's reading bag yet. If you haven't, please send the waterproof zip file into school as soon as possible.

Your child will receive two to four reading books on a weekly basis. The number of books we send home will depend on what stage your child is reading. As books move into longer chapter books, we reduce the numbers



of books we send per week. Please sign and initial your child's reading record each time you read at home with your child. If you wish to write a comment as well, that would be most welcome. 'Our Reading Department' at school will change the books on a weekly basis, making sure your child reads the correct sequence of books.

Your child will need to write the titles of their books in the Reading Log (kindly note that the one we have sent is a temporary one, as the proper logs have not arrived yet from the UK).

Year 1	Books are changed on Mondays	We fully depend on parent's signature, as a guarantee that your child has read the book with you. If you haven't read and/or you haven't signed, we will not be able to change the books for that week, and your child will have to wait for the following week to have them changed.
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### Year 1 Home Learning Timetable

Subject	Sent Home	Due Day	Notes
Home Challenges (Integrated Subjects)	Thursdays	Tuesday	This challenge is directly related to the theme your child is working on at school.
Abacus Online Activities	Thursdays	Tuesday	This will commence after the half term break Teachers will be sending your login and password soon.
Home Reading	Mondays	Following Monday	Books are only changed if parents guarantee their child has read with them, with a signature beside each title. It is the children's job to write the title of the books they read in their logs.
Arabic	Thursdays	Mondays	
Religion	Thursdays	Mondays	Religion HW is not sent on a weekly basis. Maybe every other week.
AFL (French)	First AFL lesson of the week.	Second AFL lesson of the week.	Depends on your child's timetable
AFL (German)	Wednesdays	First AFL lesson of the week.	



**Academic Newsletters:** These will be issued at the end of every half term. Next week you will be receiving a comprehensive academic newsletter all about what your child has learned over the past half term. The newsletter will also give you an insight into what your child will be learning during the next half term.

If you have any further questions about home learning and what is expected, please don't hesitate to get in touch with your child's class teacher.

Kind Regards,

*Sam El Saadani*

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