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Dear Parents and Guardians,

The study of design and technology seeks to prepare students to participate confidently and successfully in an **increasingly technological world**; and be aware of, and learn from, wider influences on design and technology, including historical, social/cultural, environmental and economic factors.

In **Design & Technology** pupils will be expected to create prototypes and at least one product by undertaking an iterative design, make and evaluate project based on a set design brief.

When completing their project students will apply the **designing and making principles** and their **technical knowledge and understanding** 

In September - October they will begin to learn techniques such as:

- How to create a design brief for a product
- How to follow a design criteria for a specific product
- How to read and interpret drawings and diagrams,

The main focus this term is to build the students' confidence and to develop their affective and psychomotor domain for the subject.

## Some of the things you may do in Design Technology lessons are:

- Use freehand sketching, colouring and shading to represent objects
- Work on your independence as well a focus on team building skills
- Organise and maintain a book of drawings and notes.
- Using CAD/CAM (3D Design, 2D Design and Laser Cutting)
- Drawing and Designing

## **Basic subject introduction**

#### Grade 6:

- Identify tools and equipment that they will use in practical projects
- Identify how to write a successful design brief for a product
- Be able to create the UAE national flag this task will help to promote UAE culture and tradition.

### Grade 7:

- Identify tools and equipment that they will use in practical projects
- Understand units of measurement for marking out on materials
- Secure and record their method of production in the form of a making diary.

# Grade 8:

- Identify all drawing equipment
- Be able to use a range of drawing techniques such as:
  - Isometric drawing
  - Basic orthographic projection
  - Perspective drawings

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Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any queries.

Thank you.

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