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Embassy International School Assessment Policy for Lower Primary Upwards

Nursery and Reception are subject to different assessment procedures managed by the Early Years Leader.

Assessment is a vital part of monitoring educational progress and is used to adapt lessons to match the needs of pupils and classes.

Written feedback will be given on classwork broadly in the philosophy of 'two stars and a wish' (two positive comments for every one area that can be improved) and pupils will self-assess their learning during lessons through indications to the teacher that they understand and feel confident with a point being learned. The teacher will frequently request this feedback during each lesson. This will consist of the 'thumbs down' (I don't feel confident I understand this yet), 'wobbly thumb' (I feel I am getting it but am not totally sure or completely confident) or 'thumbs up' (I got it!!!) method.

Learning Objectives will be displayed at the beginning of each lesson and the teacher will refer to these frequently during the lesson.

At the end of each lesson, during the plenary, the teacher will ask an assortment of pupils about what they have learned during the lesson. The teacher will use a visual aid to help with this. The format will be as below:

NEW LEARNING	SKILLS
IDEAS OR FACTS	REVISION AND REINFORCEMENT OF PREVIOUS LEARNING

All learning can be categorised as either facts/knowledge or skills/procedures and sometimes these areas can overlap. In every learning session we either learn new facts and skills, or we revise and reinforce those we have previously learned. The first step in refreshing our learning, the first repetition, comes at the end of the lesson.

These procedures are in place to make sure that learning is happening and also that we know what that learning is.

Tests will be given at the end of each scheme of work or topic and the marks from these tests will be kept on record. Test papers will also be kept until the end of the school year and

may be viewed by parents by request. At the end of the school year they will be either disposed of by school or given back to the pupil.

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