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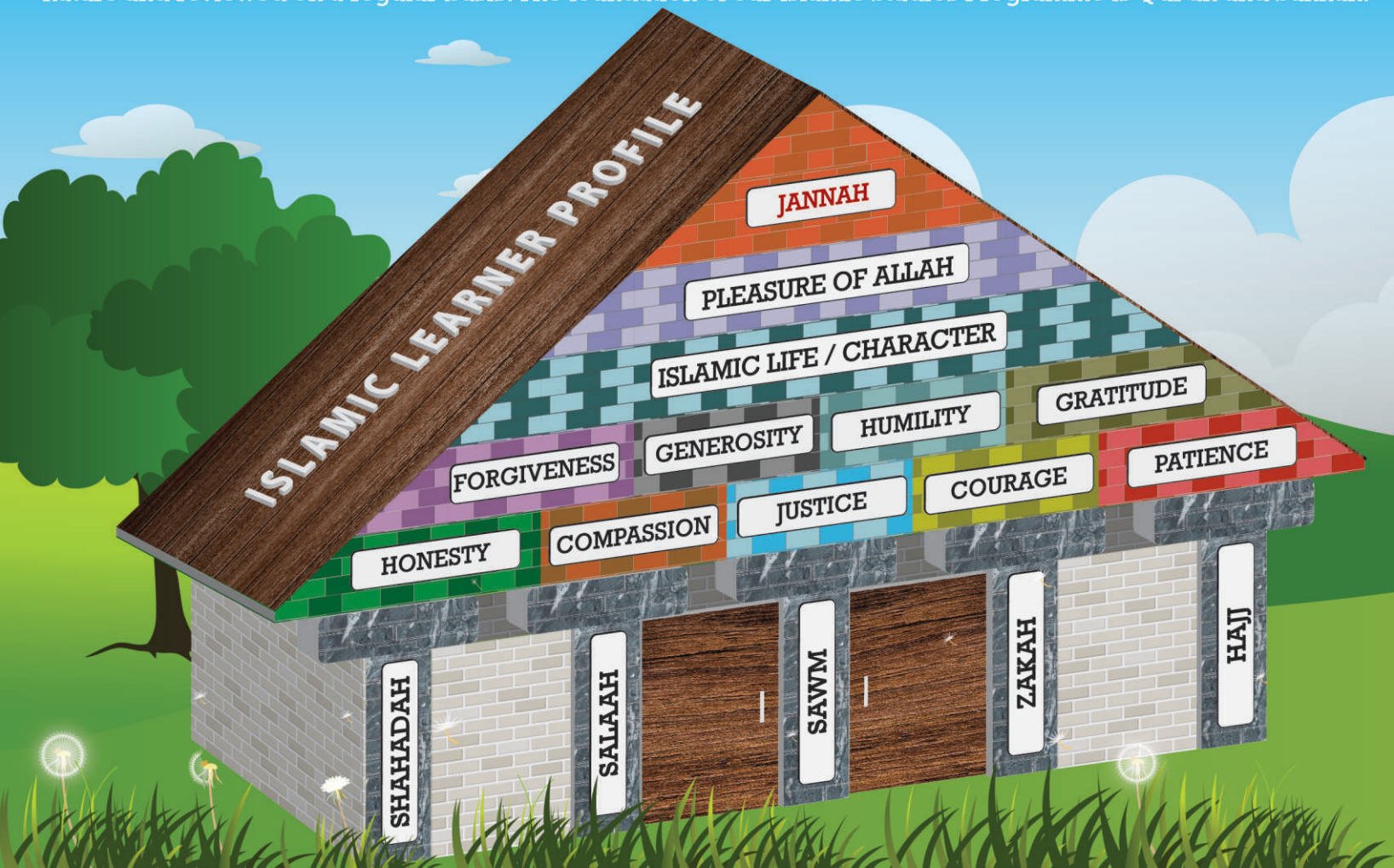


ISLAMIC STUDIES PROGRAMME

so excel one another in good deeds - 2:148

There has certainly been for you in the messenger of Allāh, an excellent model. (Surah Al-Ahzab 33:21)

EPS aims to produce eminent professionals and entrepreneurs with strong ethical foundation rooted in Islamic teachings and values. To achieve this, we have devised our own Islamic Studies curriculum which is dynamic in nature and reviewed on a regular basis. The foundation of our Islamic Studies Programme is Qur'an and Sunnah.



We believe that we cannot reform our students without having a structured reform programme for our parents & teachers. So, an IB aligned Islamic Studies Programme is designed to help parents, staff & students develop the above Islamic Learner Profile to succeed in both - Duniya and Aakhirah.

The monitoring and tracking of the development of Islamic Learner Profile in each and every parent, staff & student is done through parent-staff-student surveys. The parents, staff & students fill and update a detailed survey questionnaire which reflects Islamic Learner Profile of each respondent. Based on the diagnosis report developed through questionnaire data, teachers design and refine the curriculum, assessments, counselling sessions, events, Quranic sessions and Friday Khutbahs to address the identified issues. This is done to ensure that the entire EPS family endeavors to build up an Islamic character.

QURAN AND TAFSEER

- Hifz of 30th Juz of the Quran (from Nursery to Grade 10)
- Tafseer and translation of 30th Juz of the Qur'an so that students can understand and practice whatever they have memorised.



ISLAMIC VALUES

- Belief system (Aqeedah)
- History including Seerah of Prophet Muhammad (S.A.W)
- Adaab and Akhlaaq.



PROJECTS AND TRAININGS - Project Infaaq (spending for pleasing Allah) encourages students, teachers and parents to support underprivileged members of our society irrespective of their caste or religion.

- Hajj Trainings are organised involving the entire EPS community.
- Jumah salah is conducted in the school and khutbah (sermons) are focused on developing Islamic Learner Profile.
- Reloading Taqwa (obeying Allah) is inculcated by motivating students, parents & staff members to compete with one another in practicing Islamic values of compassion, forgiveness, generosity, courage, truthfulness, honesty etc.





Islamic dress code for staff and students

At EPS we follow a Universal Islamic dress code:

- Modest, neat and tidy clothes that cover the body as advised in our Deen.
- Full-length outfits made of decent, thick/non-transparent fabric and design.
- Head- scarf or hijab is mandatory for all the Muslim female-staff members and girls.
- Men should lower their gaze and guard their modesty.

REMEMBER

THERE IS HIJAAB FOR WOMEN
BUT THERE IS A CERTAIN HIJAAB FOR MEN TOO.

“O Prophet! Tell your wives, your daughters and the women of believers to draw their cloaks all over their bodies. That will be better. That they should be known [Muslims] so not to be bothered. And Allah is ever oft-Forgiving, most Merciful.”

[Surah Al-Ahzab 33:59]



After having taught the basics of Islam, we make a sincere effort that students, parents & staff not just learn the Islamic values but they should live by those values. To achieve this, we closely work with the entire EPS community including staff members, parents, Student Council etc. through weekly Quranic sessions for the staff members, parenting sessions, leadership programs for the Student Council etc. However, we would like to clearly state that due to time and resources constraints:

- We don't teach Arabic as a language except whatever is required to understand obligatory Islamic teachings and practices.
- We don't teach controversial fiqh (jurisprudence) related issues except what is generally required for day-to-day practices without imposing one opinion over the other.

Students and parents are free to choose their school-of-thought as long as it has sanction in the Quran and Sunnah. We strongly believe that disagreeing with someone's opinion does not give anyone the right to be disrespectful to others. This is why disrespecting other people especially people of knowledge, scholars of different sects, faiths etc. is highly discouraged. The objective of the Islamic Studies Program is not to make the students scholars of Islam. We only endeavor to teach and nurture our students to have the best possible character. We focus on character building because it is the crux of our faith as Prophet Muhammad ﷺ said, “Surely, the best people in Islam are those with the best character.” - (Musnad Ahmad)



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