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SCHOOL POLICY ON HOMEWORK

Aims/Procedures

- As consolidation of work done.
- To cultivate the habit of private study.
- To keep parents in touch with and involved in their children's work.

Procedures/Guidelines

- Homework should be an integral part of the subject being taught and given to consolidate work done – not an exercise in isolation.
- Homework should never be given unless the teacher has thoroughly explained what is to be done.
- Homework must be consistent – a small amount and given in such a way as to form a pattern.
- **Parents are encouraged to supervise children's homework, check and sign and ensure that it is neat and tidy and in keeping with their standard of work in school.**
- If a parent realizes that his/her child is having problems with homework, please let the teacher know.
- Teachers will check that homework is being done and will give extra help where difficulties occur.
- The Resource and Learning Support Teachers may set homework for the children in their groups.

Monitoring/Evaluation/Review

- Correction daily.
- Discussion at parent/teacher meetings.
- Test designed to ascertain if homework is achieving its objectives.

Junior Infants

- Homework involves correct formation and practice of lower case letters/sounds based on The Jolly Phonics Programme.
- Maths (*when given*) based on the day's work.
- Blending words – based on sounds learned to date. (*The Jolly Phonics Programme*)
- Books are taken home to encourage shared/independent reading.
- Recognition of Tricky words.

Senior Infants

- Homework reinforces what is being covered each day.
- A detailed homework sheet is given each Monday.
- Recognition of Tricky words, (Jolly Phonics Programme) & Fry Sight words.
- Recognition of sounds & blending activities.
- Books are taken home to encourage shared/independent reading.
- Dictation/Writing activities.
- Maths (*when given*) based on the day's work.

First, Second and Third Classes

30 - 40 mins

Fourth, Fifth and Sixth Classes.

60 – 90 mins

Sometimes, homework will be assigned through “Google Classroom”.

As a general rule homework is not given at weekends.

Senior class teachers give some at their discretion.

Ratification and Communication

The Board of Management ratified this revised policy at its meeting on 22/02/2022. Copies of the policy will be circulated and communicated to all members of the staff, parents and guardians. A copy will be available on the school website.

Signed: Martin Ennis
(Chairperson Board of Management)

Dated:22/02/2022

Reviewed on :

Signed:

Chairperson Board of Management