



Homework Plan

Introduction:

Regular homework is a valuable part of the learning process and helps:

- to promote a positive attitude towards reading.
- to develop good study habits.
- to consolidate skills and concepts learned in school.

Rationale:

- To ensure uniformity throughout the school.
- To agree on homework guidelines for pupils, parents and teachers.

Relationship to Characteristic Spirit of the School:

Homework is part of the partnership and link between parents, pupils and school and is encouraged as a holistic learning process.

Aims:

- To reinforce concepts and skills already covered in school.
- To encourage parents to take an active interest/part in their child's education.
- To give opportunities for pupils to work independently.

Guidelines:

Junior Infants begin homework after Halloween.

Suggested maximum times:

Junior and Senior Infants	20 minutes
First and Second class	30 minutes
Third and Fourth class	40 minutes
Fifth and Sixth class	50-60 minutes

Success criteria:

- We will know the plan is successful if all homework is completed to the best of the child's ability.

Pupils' responsibilities:

- Take home relevant materials.
- Complete all homework assignments to the best of their ability.
- Present all written work neatly and accurately.

Parents/Guardians' Responsibility:

- Encourage a positive attitude towards homework in all subjects from an early age.
- Encourage children to work independently as far as possible.
- Encourage children to organise themselves for homework.
- Provide a quiet place, suitable work surface, free from distractions, interruptions and T.V.
- Encourage good presentation and neatness within a reasonable time.
- Provide a written explanation for homework that is not completed.

Teachers' Responsibility:

- To distribute homework and homework expectations.
- Correct homework and provide feedback to children.

Communication:

- Communication of Whole-School Plan to teachers annually.
- Each class teacher will communicate an outline of their expectations for the coming year to parents.

Ratification:

- By teachers annually.
- By B.O.M. initially and if any changes made thereafter.

Chairperson of Board of Management:



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