

HOMEWORK

Reasons for Homework

- To consolidate what has been done at school.
- To promote independent learning and self-discipline.
- To keep parents in touch with what the child is doing in school.
- To facilitate completion of work done in class.

Suggested times for Homework:

Infants – no formal homework usually finishing off pictures, practising their words, reading and prayers already done in class.

First / Second 20 minutes approx

Third / Fourth 30 minutes approx

Fifth / Sixth 1 hour approx

Parents can help:

- By helping the child to choose a suitable time
- By providing a suitable workplace which is free from the distraction of radio and television
- By displaying an interest in the child's work
- By signing the written homework when completed satisfactorily and examining oral work
- By encouraging neatness and tidiness
- By contacting the class teacher or Principal should homework be causing stress or worry
- By writing a note in the child's homework notebook if homework cannot be completed.