

Homework - Preparatory School

Homework is part of the process for developing good learning behaviours, it helps to consolidate learning, it aids preparation where research is required and it forms good habits and practices. Homework should, therefore, be treated seriously.

Homework should take priority over other out of school activities: it is not acceptable to hand homework in late unless it has been arranged in advance with the teacher concerned. All children are expected to read every night and it is encouraged that children read aloud to their parents.

Years R - 2:

Parent must set time aside each evening for reading with their children.

- In Year 1 and Year 2 children have tables and spelling to learn at home.
- Help is always encouraged and strengthens the link between home and school.

Years 3 - 6:

Each child is given a homework diary so that details of tasks can be written and planned clearly, commitments and deadlines can be detailed and parents can monitor the homework requirements.

- Each night's homework and the completion date will be written in this diary and it is important that parents sign the diary after each homework.
- If homework is not given on a set date, the reason will be noted in the space.

Form	Time per Night*	Work per Night
Year 3	20 mins	Spellings /tables / reading
Year 4	30 mins	1 subject
Year 5	40 mins	1 subject
Year 6	40 mins	1 subject

** All work should be completed within the specified time. Parents should comment in the homework diary if the child exceeds the time limit.*

1. There is no homework set in the first and last week of term.
2. Holiday homework is not set. (Occasionally 'project-work' may be set but only for the summer holiday.)
3. Reading is expected and recommended reading lists will be provided.
4. All children in Years 4 to 6 must have homework every night. Teachers should plan for homework even if the lesson has been practical.
5. Year 6 has 40 minutes prep per night.
6. Children in years 3 - 6 should also do reading for 10-15 minutes each night.
7. Homework should be relevant to the topics being covered and should be of appropriate length and suitably challenging.
8. Generally, homework should be handed in the next day.
9. If homework is not done or handed in on time then after 1 warning, a Minus Mark will be given.
10. Form Tutors must check all homework diaries once a week to ensure they are being used correctly. A well kept diary should earn a House Point.

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