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School Homework Policy

Introductory Statement

The teaching staff of Scartleigh National School formulated this policy. The policy was formulated on the 15th of October 2020.

Vision Statement

In Scartleigh National School homework is given to consolidate learning in key curricular areas. Priority is given to key curricular areas, especially literacy and numeracy. Homework is also used in the school to foster home links in subjects such as SPHE, PE and religion.

Aims of Homework

- To reinforce and consolidate learning.
- To promote habitual independent learning.
- To communicate with parents.
- To raise awareness among parents of classroom learning.
- To promote self-discipline as a life skill.
- To provide parents with a home-school link.

General Homework Conditions

- Homework should be done free from distractions.
- A parent or adult should be on hand to assist the child.
- A parent or adult should encourage neat presentation and maximum effort.
- Where possible parents or adults should encourage children to work independently.
- All homework should be checked.
- Reading, learning and oral work is as important as written work. Please listen to your child read and practice spellings and tables.
- Each child will work at his / her own rate.

Allocation of Homework

Homework is given on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays

Weekly homework will be communicated to pupils via Google Classroom each Monday. Please let your child's class teacher know via email if you cannot access Google Classroom and a hard paper copy will be provided.

Homework will be completed and kept in a Homework Folder. The Homework folder will be sent home on a Tuesday, it will stay at home for the week and returned to school on Friday.

Junior / Senior Infants - (Maximum of 1 mental and 1 written activity per night)
Reading, Oral Language, Letter Sounds, Sight Words, Religion, Fine Motor, Hand Writing, PE, SPHE.

1st & 2nd Classes - (Maximum of 2 mental and 2 written activities per night)
Reading, Spellings, Mental Maths, Tables, Religion, PE, SPHE.

3rd & 4th Classes - (Maximum of 2 mental and 2 written activities per night)
Reading, Spellings, Mental Maths, Tables, Religion, PE, SPHE.

5th & 6th Classes - (Maximum of 2 mental and 3 written activities per night)
Reading, Spellings, Mental Maths, Tables, Religion, PE, SPHE.

Difficulties with Homework

If a child is finding any aspect of homework stressful or difficult the parent should inform the class teacher. The parents may make an appointment with the teacher to discuss the problem by phone or email.

This Homework Policy will be reviewed annually or as soon as practicable after there has been a material change in any matter to which this statement refers.

This Homework Policy was adopted by the Board of Management on 29/11/2021

Signed: Thomas Casey
29/11/2021

Chairperson of Board of Management

Signed: Denise O'Dea

Principal/Secretary to the B of M

Date: Denise O'Dea

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