

Kilkeary N.S.

Homework Policy

It is the policy of this school to assign homework on a regular basis. Generally, homework is not given at weekends.

Why give it?

- it helps to consolidate work that's been done in class
- it encourages children to work independently at their own pace
- it shows the child that his work in school is meaningful if he can achieve something similar in his own home
- it engages the parents in the education of the child
- it can show parents how their child is progressing
- it can often be the only communication between home and school. In the pupil it develops responsibility, resourcefulness, will-power and good study habits.

Homework will usually be related to work done in class. Parents should set aside a quiet place and time for homework and they should not do the work for the child. Oral work is as important as written work so time should be spent examining spellings and tables, reading and listening to and talking to your child. Parents should sign their child's homework notebook if requested by the class teacher.

In consultation with the parent, the class teacher will often assign less or different homework to a weak pupil.

In the event of homework not being done, the class teacher may insist on it being done the following night, at break-time or at the weekend. If a child's homework is untidy, the class teacher insist on it being redone. If homework is particularly well done, it can be read aloud, shown to the other pupils or shown to the other teachers. If your child is experiencing difficulty on a regular basis with homework, you should arrange to meet the class teacher to sort out the problem.

A copy of the Homework Policy is available for inspection in the school.