

# **Homework Policy**

The School community of Two Mile House believe in the value of homework and it is assigned with the following aims in mind:-

1. To reinforce new concepts, skills and vocabulary.
2. To reinforce procedures and drills,
3. To help to identify areas of difficulty.
4. To promote good study habits and skills.
5. To act as a home-school link and to promote parental involvement.

## **Homework Guidelines**

- (a) The child's genuine effort is asked for. Homework completed with significant help from adults is greatly devalued.
- (b) Parents should, where possible, listen to children reading and check oral learning.
- (c) Homework should be a point of contact, not conflict between parent and child.
- (d) If a child is unable to complete assigned homework within the recommended time then the work should be left undone and the child's teacher should be informed.
- (e) Homework notebooks should be signed every evening by parents and a record of the amount of time homework has taken should be written in notebook.
- (f) It is school policy that homework is not assigned at weekends unless a child needs to make up for uncompleted homework during the week.
- (g) The school regards oral or mental homework as being just as important as written assignments.

## **Recommended Times:**

Junior Classes:            Infants, Junior and Senior – informal work assigned by teacher and indicated to parents individually.

First and Second:        20 – 30 minutes

Third and Fourth:        30 – 40 minutes

Fifth and Sixth:           40 minutes – 1 hour

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