

Scoil Diarmada

Homework Policy

THE PURPOSE OF HOMEWORK

1. To encourage and develop the habit of independent study.
2. To consolidate work being done in school.
3. To learn how to organise and use free time.
4. To provide a means by which parents can see what their child is being taught.

GUIDELINES ON DOING HOMEWORK

1. To help and encourage your child but do their homework for them.
2. It is helpful to establish a set routine and time for your child to do their homework.

A quiet place, free of distractions, though not always possible is preferable for homework.

3. If your child has any difficulties, please call and discuss the matter with the class teacher.
4. Please sign your child's homework copy/notebook/worksheet each night. It encourages greater effort and neatness.
5. With occasional exception in 6th class, there will be no homework given on weekends.

SMAPLE CONTENT GUIDELINES FOR EACH CLASS

It is a matter for the school policy that individual teachers decide on the amount of homework, which they consider, appropriate. However, the following samples are guidelines of what parents can expect each evening.

JUNIOR AND SENIOR INFANTS

CONTENT: Oral Homework

- Talking about pictures, sentences in response to questions.
- Urging your child to use full sentences in response to questions.
- Revise words, work box/sheet.
- Reading
- Occasional worksheet in Senior Infants

Time: 5-10 minutes

FIRST AND SECOND CLASS

CONTENT:

Tables, spellings English Reading, Irish Reading (occasionally in 1st)

Mathematics or English writing and written work.

Religion (see parents section in child's book)

Recreational Reading

Geography and History-Learning work covered in class

Time	1st Class	20-30 minutes
	2nd Class	20-30 minutes

THIRD, FOURTH, FIFTH AND SIXTH CLASS

CONTENT:

Tables, Irish and English spelling, Irish and English Reading. Mathematics and English writing and written work in other subjects.

Some project work may be given occasionally.

Religion

Recreational reading

Geography and History-Learning work covered in class.

Time:	3rd and 4th class	30-40 minutes
	5th and 6th class	40-60 minutes