



We think that this advice will help you support your child's homework:

DO:

- **Know the teachers** — attend school events and parents' evenings to meet your child's teachers. Chat to them in the yard. We want to help!
- **Have a homework-friendly area** - a comfortable well-lit place. Have the homework book, a pencil, scissors etc to hand. We can give you some if you need it.
- **Set a time** - some children work best straight after school (get it over with!) and some prefer a rest first. Setting a habit will help to reduce arguments.
- **Make a plan** - which work comes first? Reading, writing.....?
- **No distractions** - no TV, loud music, or phone calls. The work will be done quicker and better.
- **Help but...** don't do all the work for them. Support but don't take over.
- **Motivate and monitor** - Ask about homework, give encouragement, answer questions, check it's finished. Give praise.
- **Set a good example** – make sure your children see you read and or concentrate to check your finances. They will copy what you do.

- **Praise their work and efforts** – give lots of praise. Put a sticker on the fridge, put it on Facebook, tell family members how proud you are.
- **If Homework is a problem – GET HELP!** Talk to your child's teacher, the Learning Mentor or the Head.

DON'T:

- Shout or get cross!
- Spend ages struggling - up to 30 minutes should be plenty of time.

Thank you!



**KEEP
CALM
and
DO YOUR
HOMEWORK**