

Kindergarten Homework

Kindergarten homework can be used as one way to establish a habit of communication between parents and children about school. The homework can be used as a jumping off point for parent/child discussions about what they did in school that day.

Homework helps develop the routine of being responsible for taking materials home to work on and returning materials in the appropriate place independently at the beginning of each day.

Homework is an opportunity to practice emerging skills, for example taking the time to use details and more than one color when completing drawings and writing one's own name. Kindergarten children should not be stressed about correctly writing answers. It is often suggested when homework includes written answers that the kindergartner find a homework helper to write down his or her ideas. Some kindergarten children enjoy writing their own answers which is always fine.

Children should spend no more than 10 minutes finishing homework. If they are having trouble understanding any work it is a good idea to bring the paper back to the teacher the next day for clarification.

This year in kindergarten certain types of homework will be assigned on specific days. On the back of this page is an example of the homework we will have during the first quarter. Your child will get a copy of this next Monday and should bring their homework back the morning after it was assigned.

“The gist of research on homework is that a small amount of homework may be helpful to learning, but too much homework can actually be bad for learning.”