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## Home Learning – Homework

In Glasnevin ETNS we are turning the focus of homework to home-learning and consolidation. It is important that there is a benefit to all work assigned for pupils at home.

Following consultation with children, staff and parents, we have amended our approach to homework to reflect the feedback received. We endeavour to take a balanced approach, with the best interest of pupils in mind, in our approach to homework. Homework is consistent at each class level and teachers are mindful of ensuring expectations are clear.

We appreciate the value of giving some homework, even a small amount, in supporting a positive home-school link. As a school, we also recognise how hard children work in school & we value the importance of allowing children to use their time at home after school to play, be active outside and engage in enjoyable extra-curricular activities.

Priority homework areas include:

- Reading English & Irish (for some classes at an appropriate class level)
- Spellings
- Home learning menus from Junior Infants  $-2^{nd}$  Class: these activities link to the monthly theme and/or work being done in school and are optional for families.
- Phonics activity for Infant Classes may include phonological awareness activities), focusing on specific letter sounds and/or 'heart' words.
- Tables from 1<sup>st</sup> -6<sup>th</sup> Class.
- Thematic, project work in senior classes.
- IXL/Times Tables Rockstars in senior classes.
- Pupils may receive activities based on programmes which the children are working on in school e.g. RSE, Weaving Well-being, SPHE.
- During Seachtain an Gaeilge, pupils will receive Gaeilge homework instead. A similar approach will be taken during Active School Week, Maths Week & Wellbeing Week.

• If your child is receiving support from our AET team, they may receive some focused tasks to support their learning targets where it is deemed helpful, in consultation with parents.

If you require any clarification on a subject, or further information on what is being covered in school, please feel free to communicate directly with your child's class teacher.

In the case where pupils are absent from school for holidays during term time, teachers will not provide additional work to carry out at home.

## Additional Home Learning Tasks

We appreciate that some families may wish to do some additional work with their children at home. Pupils are very welcome to share any of this work with their teacher throughout the school year.

Should any child or parent be interested in suggestions for additional activities, please find a list below:

- Anything active
- Baking or cooking
- Shopping with the family
- Nature walks
- Investigating topics being examined in class
- Looking at time on the clocks in the house.... Counting on, counting back
- Housework
- Any activity that develops language and communication.
- Home/kitchen science project
- Diary entries
- Story Writing
- Making a mini-book/comic book