

Heaton Normal Intermediate School

Homework Guidelines 2012

The purpose of homework is to support students to develop into independent learners. In particular students practise the skills needed to learn without the support of an adult, to be organised, to manage their time and to meet deadlines. Students should be able to complete homework with minimal support from parents or caregivers.

1. Homework should take no longer than 45 minutes each night and be no more than 3 hours a week.
2. Homework activities are either a consolidation of learning already taught or preparation for future learning.
3. Homework activities may involve a task that is completed each day, for example spelling, reading, Mathematics, basic maths facts etc or be a longer project that is completed over several days.
4. A student's teacher will regularly check that homework is completed.
5. Students will receive regular feedback from their teacher about the quality of their homework and next learning steps.
6. On occasions specialist teachers may give homework to students. The specialist teacher will notify the house leader of the students' classes if this occurs.
7. If a student is unable to complete homework they are encouraged to speak to their teacher about this or parents should contact their child's teacher.

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