

KILLYMAN PRIMARY SCHOOL

HOMEWORK POLICY

It is the considered collective opinion of the teaching staff that formal homework should play a significant part in the development of the children. This decision is based on the following observations:

- a) In the collective experience of the teachers, homework has contributed significantly to the academic development of the children.
- b) It has been indicated by parents to be highly desirable and helps keep the parents aware of their children's school-work and progress.
- c) The necessity for a sense of self-discipline and independence by the children to combat the effects of unrestricted television viewing.

Depending on the individual child's ability the average homework time should vary between 5 to 30 minutes in the early years and there should be a progression from the purely oral work to a combination of oral and written work. By Primary 7 homework should be increased in length, but should still be satisfactorily completed within a period of between 30 minutes and one hour.

All homework will be acknowledged by either:

- a) Formal correction;
- b) Self correction;
- c) Correction by partner;
- d) By questioning.