

Tips from the Principal

Homework can be a tremendous tool in a child's education. Homework can help reinforce new ideas and skills can help a student grasp new material, and can help a student learn to analyze information and become critical thinkers. Home work is also a great way to integrate many skills- such as a project in which reading, specific content/information may need to be collected, and analyzed.

Below are some tips to help make homework an easier and therefore more productive experience at home:

1. **Establish** a routine after school. Make homework a priority in the time after school.
2. **Provide** a quiet environment for home work to be completed. Also make sure to have all the necessary resources to complete the project- writing utensils, paper, etc.
3. **Be positive** about doing homework!
4. **Monitor your child's progress** and watch for signs of success and frustration. Contact your child's teacher with any concerns.
5. **Model good behavior** when it comes to work- if your child has homework- YOU work. If you r child has reading, you read. If your child has math- balance the checkbook, etc.
6. **Provide guidance**-not answers for your child. Let your child process information on their own and form their own answers- you are there to guide them through the process.
7. **Communicate with school** often. School-Home communication is a key component for the success of a child. Be sure to check Teacher Ease for your child's progress. At the first sign of any frustration or concern you have, contact your teacher. This is the best way to resolve any issues and ensure your student is progressing.