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Parent / Guardian Questionnaires - Autumn 2018

Homework

Thank you to all those of you who responded to the recent questionnaires that were distributed, seeking your views on homework. A total of 90 questionnaires were returned, which is a disappointing response considering the number of pupils attending the school and I would ask that if you didn't complete a questionnaire this time, please take a moment to do so next time.

Of those who responded, 79% agreed with the school's proposal to stop issuing formal homework, whilst 17% disagreed. 4% of respondents neither agreed nor disagreed with the proposal.

In addition to collecting the views of parents / guardians, we have also discussed this proposal with pupils, staff and the school's governing body. Having listened to all views and opinions, and in trying to respond to the needs of everyone, we have decided on the following homework policy:

Foundation Phase pupils

- pupils to investigate their class' theme for the term by researching the topic through books and online research, visiting areas of interest etc;
- pupils to read on a daily basis;

Key Stage 2 pupils

- pupils to investigate their class' theme for the term by researching the topic through books and online research, visiting areas of interest etc;
- pupils to read, practice their spellings / handwriting and learn their times tables on a daily basis;
- prepare a half-termly oral presentation on a topic chosen by the class. This will be assessed as part of the school's ongoing assessment of your child;
- fortnightly maths worksheets will be distributed, summarising the work done in the classroom over the previous fortnight, raising your awareness of the aspects studied and allowing you to support your child should you wish to do so. However, this work will not be collected by the class teacher and is optional.

An overview of each half term's area of study within Maths, Welsh & English will also

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be shared with parents so that those who do want to further support their child at home can do so.

This new arrangement will remain in place for the remainder of the academic year and will be reviewed at the end of the summer term. However, if you have any further comments or suggestions to make, then please do contact me at the school to discuss these further.

Thank you once again for your continued support.

Yours faithfully,

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