



1st Grade Homework

It always seems that little brother or sister can't wait for homework, while big brother or sister wishes it would just disappear! Homework in first grade is primarily about

developing **Responsibility** in our children. They are responsible to bring home the assignment, complete it with a parent's guidance, put it in their planner and backpack to return it to school. These skills will help to serve the child well later in his /her school life

HOW MUCH IS TOO MUCH?

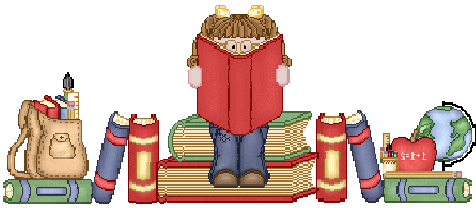
First graders should spend no more than 15 minutes each



evening on homework. If your child is consistently spending more time than this, or if a particular assignment takes considerably longer, please let me know.

Much of the assigned homework in first grade is designed to be done with family members. Even independent tasks, however, need parental involvement. Always check your child's work, and sign and date it. Unless otherwise specified, homework is due the following school day. Parents often wonder, "Should I correct my child's mistakes?" My advice is, yes, point out the mistakes to your child in a gentle way, and use that opportunity to reteach and clarify the skill. If you would like me to know about a particular problem area, always jot a note on the homework or in their planner, and I'll respond as soon as possible.

HOMWORK SCHEDULE



Our expectation for 1st graders is that they read with an adult each night and have their yellow reading log complete with the following information.

- The titles of **3 or more things** that they have read from their **Guided Reading Bags**.
 - The **date and initials of the adult** that they read to.
- This reading practice should be about 10-15 minutes each day.**

This daily practice is **SO** important for reading success! Please read the following article - "**Why Can't I Skip My Reading Tonight?**" located on the left side of the homepage. I do understand emergencies arise occasionally, please contact me or put a note in your child's planner if something comes up and you are not able to complete homework. Using **Responsibility** to complete daily homework is a good habit to get started at an early age.

MONDAY - Spelling and daily reading

The weekly **spelling list** is sent home on Monday. The words will be written in the planner and will be on the **Strategy and Skill** sheet that comes home on Monday.

Your child has a **Guided Reading Bag** which will come home each day and come back to school the following day. The stories, poems, etc. that your child should practice are in that bag. Your child should read them with or to you. All materials need to be returned in that bag the next day **UNLESS** marked

TUESDAY - Daily reading

WEDNESDAY - Daily reading

THURSDAY - Daily reading and study for Friday's spelling test.

FRIDAY - Daily reading on 2 of the 3 days

Math homework will be sent home as it appears in our math program and should be returned the next day.

