

Grade One Homework

Grade one students do require parental guidance with all of their homework. Please make homework a relaxed time. They will require help with proper letter formation, line usage, spacing, punctuation and neatness involved in written work. We have placed proper letter formation charts in their notebooks. We appreciate you encouraging your child to always do “good quality work” on their homework.

Initially homework tasks may take a longer time but as that skill develops it will become easier to complete. If for some reason homework cannot be completed on a particular night, try to accomplish at least the nightly reading and sight word practice. Other homework can be carried over as long as it all comes in by Friday of each week so it can be viewed by the teacher.

Please keep this note at home for a quick reference regarding homework.

Nightly (Mon-Thurs).

- **Reading** – students will have the same books (3 or more) for a week at a time. We also use these same books for guided reading activities in class, so it is important that the books are returned to school each day. These books are to be read to an adult nightly to develop reading fluency, sight word vocabulary and comprehension. A note will come home in their “Take Home Books” bag to help parents develop student’s strategies in reading. Students are also encouraged to read from the “Your Assignment” section of the RAZ Kids website (raz-kids.com) to complete their daily reading requirement.
- **Sight Word Practice** – students are assigned 5 new sight words each Monday. Please call out each of the five words, in random order, for students to print on the right hand page of their agenda. I will check these words each morning and they will be a focus on our “Weekly Check Up” quiz on Fridays. Once these words are tested and put on our Word Wall, the expectation is that they will be recognized in texts and spelled correctly in all writing.

Monday **nightly reading** (Take Home Books) (10 minutes only)

Story writing – students will use sight words to develop a short story on one topic. At first they will require more help but after a short time will surprise us all how much they can do on their own.

Tuesday **nightly reading** (10 minutes only)

Printing – Guide your child as they practice printing upper and lower case letters. Encourage correct size, spacing and formation. Do 2 sided sheet-current letter focus.

Wednesday **nightly reading** (10 minutes only)

Thursday **nightly reading** (10 minutes only)

Friday **Math Game**- that is related to a current focus or one we have done already. This can be kept home until the following Friday morning (returned).