

Ken Stimpson Community School's Top Ten Homework Tips for Parents/Carers

1. Check your child's Homework Planner daily for assigned homework and sign it on a weekly basis. It is the student's responsibility to record all homework.
2. Set a consistent time when homework can be done every night. Remember that homework should be completed before recreational activities.
3. Provide a quiet place for your child to complete homework free from distractions such as the television, phone, or computer.
4. Establish with your child that he or she has homework every day.
5. If your child needs help then provide them with sufficient explanation to enable them to do the work themselves. It is important not to provide the answers in advance of the work being done or to complete the work on their behalf.
6. Discuss with your child what he or she is learning in school. Have your child share one thing they have learned every day.
7. Keep in touch and contact your child's teachers when you have a question or concern about homework.
8. Build in breaks for longer homework sessions. Provide a break after every twenty minutes of work.
9. Encourage your child to take risks and attempt homework that he or she finds challenging. Communicate with your child that mistakes are part of the learning process.
10. Encourage your child and praise them when they have completed homework.