



Dhahran British Grammar School



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Dear Parents,

The staff members in Key Stage 2 have been reviewing the homework procedures at school and we will be making some changes. Homework will now be sent out on four days of the week, leaving out Thursday, so that the weekend is free for family time, children's weekend activities and rest. The times for homework will be as follows:

- **Years 3 and 4:** 30 minutes each evening (approx.)
- **Years 5 and 6:** 40 minutes each evening (approx.)

The new homework procedures involve the agreement between child and teacher that all work should be completed and brought in at the appropriate time. Children failing to bring in their work on time, or not completing a task, will then be required to complete homework at the weekend. As a staff, we feel very strongly that the children should take ownership of this new opportunity and be responsible for completing all tasks.

A typical distribution of homework over a week from each year group is provided below. There will obviously be occasions, however, when this pattern will alter to accommodate events and activities during a school day.

Year 3: 1 literacy, 1 numeracy, spellings, reading

Year 4: 1 literacy, 1 spelling, 1 numeracy, 1 science, reading

Year 5: assigned weekly, spellings, 1 numeracy/literacy, science/humanities, reading

Year 6: Will vary between literacy, numeracy, humanities, ICT and science.

In homework activities the children will be provided with the opportunity to reinforce learning from the classroom as well as completing work such as research for topic based activities. **We encourage the children to take full responsibility for their homework.**

All other aspects of homework remain the same in line with the homework policy on the school's website.

Thank you for your understanding in this matter. We trust you will enjoy your homework free weekends.

Kind regards,

Judith Jones
Head of Key Stage 2.