Polasaí Obair Bhaile

Tugtar obair bhaile rialta do pháistí na scoile chun deis a thabhairt dóibh cleachtadh a dhéanamh ar na scileanna atá á fhorbairt acu ar scoil agus/ nó chun deiseanna a thabhairt dóibh ábhar ina bhfuil suim acu a fhiosrú. Is e an príomh sprioc atá againn ná go mbeadh an obair bhaile fiúntach do fhoghlaim an pháiste aonar. Mar sin, ní gá go mbeadh an obair bhaile céanna ag gach páiste. Bíonn gá ag roinnt páistí níos mó ionchur a bheith acu ón mbaile agus moltar obair faoi leith, cluichí, córais nó straitéisí cuí nuair a ghátar chun deiseanna dul chun cinn a thabhairt.

Molaimid go láidir go mbeadh gach páiste ag léamh i nGaeilge agus i mBéarla gach lá, idir obair bhaile agus ina chuid ama féin. Bíonn gá díriú ar shealbhú táblaí sna hardranganna. Tá *Spellings for Me (spellings idirdhealaithe)* in úsáid in Ranganna 2 go 6 ach ar fáil do gach páiste sa mbaile. Molaimid go mbeadh páistí ag loggáil isteach ó am go chéile de réir an ghá chun cluichí a imirt agus a gcuid spellings a neartú. Tá *Litriú Abú* in úsáid sna hardranganna don litriú agus b'fhéidir go dtabharfar é ó am go chéile le treisiú sa bhaile. Is féidir spellings agus litriú a phlé leis an múinteoir ranga chomh maith le nithe eile a d'fhéadfá theacht aníos.

De réir mar a théann na páistí in aois déantar iarracht níos mó freagrachta a thabhairt dóibh ar a gcuid obair bhaile. Mar shampla, bheadh bainistíocht ama i gceist le obair thionscnamh nó obair bhaile a thugtar thar tréimhse ama níos mó ná oíche amháin. Déantar iarracht freisin roghanna a thabhairt d'obair bhaile agus ó am go chéile bíonn obair bhaile ghníomhach mar chuid de sin. Sin ráite, bíonn ábhair faoi leith lena mbíonn ionchur an tuismitheora riachtanach (mar shampla, ceachtanna as an gclár OCG; oideachas caidreamh agus gnéasachta).

Níl aon tréimhse ama molta againn d'obair bhaile. Ní dhéantar obair bhaile ar mhaithe le obair a dhéanamh. Beidh amantaí ann ina gcaithfidh páistí méid bheag ama agus amantaí a chaitheann said níos faide ach déanfar gach iarracht méid chothrom a thabhairt go laethúil. Sa chás go mbraitheann tú go bhfuil do pháiste ag caitheamh go leor ama ar obair bhaile, labhair leis an múinteoir ranga faoi.

*Nóta faoi thinneas agus as láithreachtaí. Sa chás go bhfuil paiste as láthair tinn de bharr tinneas nó bheith ar laethanta saoire laistigh de théarma scoile, níl sé de nós againn obair a sheoladh chucu. Beidh eisceachtaí uaireanta ag brath ar thuairimí an mhúinteora. Is faoin tuismitheoir tabhairt faoi léitheoireacht, cluichí, táblaí srl. má tá fonn orthu agus na páistí in ann.

Homework is given regularly to enable children to practice and further develop those skills which they have worked on in school and/ or to enable them to explore areas of interest. Our primary goal is that homework is worthwhile for the learning of the individual child. Therefore, every child might not be assigned the same homework. Some children require extra input at home and in those cases specific work, games, systems or strategies are recommended to help them to make progress.

We strongly recommend that children read every day in both Irish and English as part of homework and/or as a hobby. We encourage supporting your child with grasping Táblaí. The differentiated approach to spellings is used with the ***Spellings for Me*** *programme in Ranganna 2-6 but each child has their own individual log in where they are encouraged to revise at home and play some of the spelling games.* ***Litriú Abú*** *is used for Litriú Gaeilge; again some revision may be recommended at home from the múinteoir ranga. Spellings and Litriú can be discussed with the class teacher during the schoolyear, along with any other queries or concerns.*

As the children progress through the school we endeavor to give them more responsibility over their homework. For example, project work or homework given over a longer period than one night require time management skills. We also give choices about homework where appropriate, including active homework. That said, there are some curricular areas that require parental involvement such as the relationships and sexual education programme.

There is no suggested time for children to spend doing homework. Homework will not be given for the sake of keeping children busy working. Children will spend varying amounts of time doing homework but we endeavor to give an equal amount of homework daily. If you feel that your child is spending too long doing homework you should discuss it with the class teacher.

**Note regarding absences and illnesses. It is not the policy of the school to provide work for sick children or children who are on holiday during school term. There may be some exceptions at the teacher's discretion. We recommend the parents exercise judgement with regard to reading activities, games, educational apps, tables etc. if they feel the need and the children are well and able.*