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## ENTERPRISING SKILLS FOR LIFE AND WORK

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Developing the Young Workforce is a seven-year programme introduced by Education Scotland that aims to better prepare children and young people from 3-18 for the world of work. This programme builds on the foundations already in place as part of Curriculum for Excellence and aims to reduce youth unemployment by 40% by 2021. All of Scotland's young people are entitled to an educational experience that is relevant to the world of work.

Enterprise in education is a child-centred approach to encourage opportunities which support the development of capable and confident learners, who will have a 'can do' attitude in everything they do. Each year, every class from Nursery to Primary 7 will be involved in an enterprise project which can range from a business, community or environmental focus. A significant part of this learning will be financial education. All pupils are involved in making products for our Christmas Fayre every year and all classes plan and host their own Community Café at least once during the session.

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## HOMWORK

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It is school policy to give the children some work to do at home. This provides opportunities for the pupils to practise, reinforce or research the work being undertaken in school. It develops good study skills and can provide opportunities for you to work with your child, praise their progress and/or to sample the kind of work he/she is doing in school. **Children who are supported and encouraged to complete their homework tend to be more confident and capable learners in school.** We cannot stress enough the importance of parents/carers supporting children with their homework.



At times we are asked by parents for advice as to how much help to provide and the length of time the children should be allowed to complete work. The following information outlines school policy. In addition, a letter from each class teacher is sent out near the beginning of each session, identifying the kinds of homework you can expect your child to bring home throughout the session, together with suggestions on ways of supporting your child.

### **Homework in Primary 1 And Primary 2:**

Reading practise should be for around 5-10 minutes (or a little longer if your child wants to continue or to play reading games). Reading together should be a positive, regular, sharing experience for all involved. Should it become stressful for either adult or child, please contact the teacher. The children may also, at times, be asked to carry out some simple writing or number exercises or research linked to topic work - again, only five to ten minutes long.

### **Homework in Primary 3 To Primary 7**

In addition to any regular reading task, 10-15 minutes of homework is set for Primary 3, progressing to approximately 30 minutes for Primary 7. The work given will meet your child's ability and be designed to be completed within these times. Depending on what you feel is acceptable, your child may spend more time than this. However, should your child apply himself/herself fully to a piece of work but have difficulty in completing their tasks within a reasonable period of time, please do alert us to enable home and school to work together to address any concerns. Homework is not normally allocated at weekends.