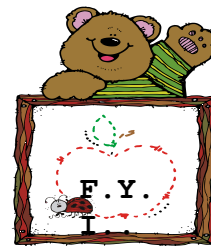


Homework

The **PURPOSE** of homework is to:

- ☺ reinforce/practice things learned in class
- ☺ prepare students for upcoming lessons
- ☺ extend and/or generalize concepts
- ☺ teach your child responsibility
- ☺ develop positive study habits



Homework will be given daily Monday – Thursday, and occasionally on Friday for special projects. Students should take no longer than 60 minutes to complete each day's assignments with minimal difficulty. Students are expected to do their best. Homework should be neat. Students are expected to try to complete homework on his/her own first before asking for parental help.

*We will be slowly getting into the routine of doing homework. For the first few weeks of school, assignments will consist of reading, writing down pages read on the reading log and math. Later, assignments may include things like spelling, vocabulary, writing, reading comprehension passages, etc.

Parents are instrumental to making homework a positive experience for their children. Therefore, please make homework a top priority, provide necessary supplies and a quiet homework environment, set a daily homework time, provide praise and support, do not let children avoid homework, and contact your child's teacher if you notice a problem.

Late Homework

Any homework that is not returned on the due date (usually the next school day) when the child arrives at school is considered "late." Do not run home to go and get it. It will still be considered late if your child does not have it in his/her folder as s/he walks into class. This will teach them to remember to pack it in their backpack right away. If you find that their homework is in their plastic envelope not connected, that means that your child did not take it out of the folder to turn it in.

If your child is absent, you may turn in homework assignments when your child returns to school, and it will not be considered late. If there is a legitimate reason why a student is unable to complete homework assignments, please send a note to school on the day the homework is due stating the reason it was not completed. The note may be written in the student planner, and it should be signed by the parent.

Some people like lots of homework, however, at Kamehameha, we believe in nurturing the "whole child." We want children to have enough time and energy to participate in sports, music, dance, boy/girl scouts, 4-H, etc. If you want more work or if your child requires more practice, please feel free to create and provide extra practice. Just make sure you make it enjoyable, so they don't get turned-off to homework.

Mahalo for your support!

Me ka ha'aha'a,

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