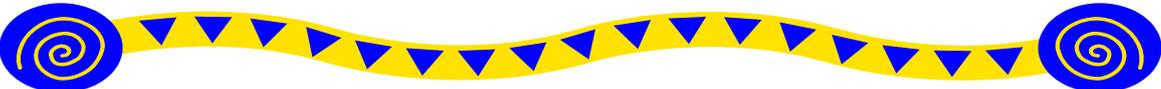


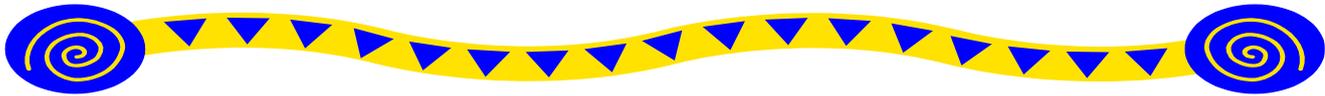
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# Supporting Homework



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## Tips to support your child and their homework

### Make time:



Get involved in their homework tasks. Show them you care and are available for support if needed – they are more likely to complete homework and hand it in on time.



Use opportunities when you are out and about together, shopping, meals, local community.

### Routine:



Have a timed routine at home and stick to it – If they are struggling with a routine make sure they are not accidentally rewarded before completing their homework such as being allowed on the computer or TV before homework is completed.

### Reward and consequence:



If your child is struggling with homework but tries hard perhaps introduce a reward eg screen time, a trip to the cinema at weekend etc., The consequence is simple, they do not receive their screen time or cinema trip until the homework is done to the best of their ability.

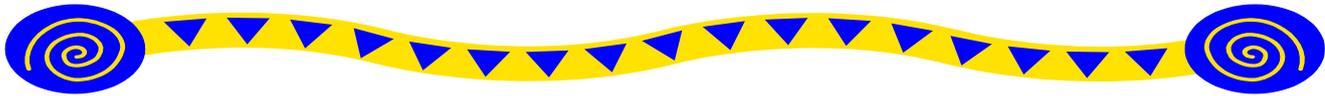


### Take an interest:



Ask questions, what have they learned, can they tell you anything about it. If they are stuck can you help, without doing it for them? For example chat together, research together.





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### Remove distractions:



Help your child to concentrate by creating the best learning environment. Make sure the room is well lit, quiet with minimum distractions.



### Check it out:

If your child is keen to show you (or sometimes not) ask to look at the homework, check their progress, and if they have done the best they can, praise the effort not the outcome.



### Praise:

Homework can be difficult, there are many distractions including tiredness. Praise your children if they have tried hard, look back at reward and consequence - school will let them know if more needs to be done.

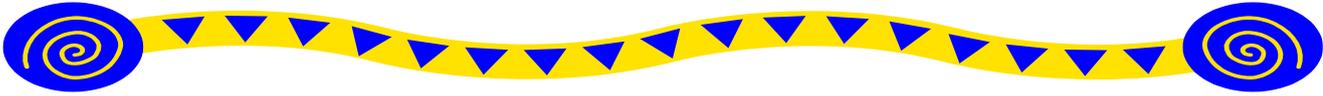


### Refusing to complete homework:



If your child is refusing to complete their homework contact the school and see what they can do to help. It may be that plans are put in place that they complete homework during lunch time when they would rather be with their friends. Schools are best to advise you.





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## Useful Resources

- [www.bbc.co.uk/learning](http://www.bbc.co.uk/learning)
- [www.bbc.co.uk/schools](http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools)
- [www.topmarks.co.uk](http://www.topmarks.co.uk)
- [www.gov.uk/national-curriculum](http://www.gov.uk/national-curriculum)
- [www.netmums.com](http://www.netmums.com)
- [www.familylives.org.uk](http://www.familylives.org.uk)
- [www.bbc.co.uk/bitesiz](http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesiz)

This is by no means an exhaustive list and is simply an offer of websites available.

Your school may be the best for support and suggested resources available.



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