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Homework Survey 2021 Summary (18/05/2021)

Please tick which year group your child is in

Option	Percentage	Quantity
Primary 1	12.4%	27
Primary 2	12.0%	26
Primary 3	15.7%	34
Primary 4	14.7%	32
Primary 5	18.4%	40
Primary 6	13.8%	30
Primary 7	12.9%	28
Total		217

How important do you think homework is?

Option	Percentage	Quantity
Very Important	48.4%	105
Important	35.9%	78
Not sure	9.2%	20
Not important	4.1%	9
I don't support homework	2.3%	5
Total		217

Overall, do you support homework being given each night from Monday to Thursday?

Option	Percentage	Quantity
Yes	89.4%	194
No	10.6%	23
Total		217

How difficult does your child usually find homework?

Option	Percentage	Quantity
It varies	41.9%	91
Too hard	4.6%	10
Just about right	48.4%	105

Too easy	5.1%	11
Total		217

I feel that I don't have enough knowledge to help my child with his/her homework

Option	Percentage	Quantity
Strongly agree	6.0%	13
Agree	13.4%	29
Disagree	43.3%	94
Strongly Disagree	34.1%	74
Don't know	3.2%	7
Total		217

On average, how much time does your child spend on homework on weekday evenings?

Option	Percentage	Quantity
10 - 20 minutes	21.7%	47
20 - 40 minutes	39.6%	86
40 - 60 minutes	29.5%	64
more than an hour	9.2%	20
Total		217

Has remote learning improved your understanding of the curriculum and how to help your child at home?

Option	Percentage	Quantity
Strongly Agree	28.6%	62
Agree	49.8%	108
Disagree	11.5%	25
Strongly Disagree	3.7%	8
Don't know	6.5%	14
Total		217

Homework is a cause of tension at home

Option	Percentage	Quantity
Strongly Agree	14.3%	31
Agree	31.3%	68
Disagree	36.4%	79
Strongly Disagree	17.1%	37
Don't know	0.9%	2
Total		217

Do you think that the amount of homework should increase as your child gets older?

Option	Percentage	Quantity
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Yes	65.4%	142
No	34.6%	75
Total		217

Is having the homework for the whole week at once useful?

Option	Percentage	Quantity
Yes	87.1%	189
No	3.7%	8
Don't mind	9.2%	20
Total		217

Does Seesaw help you to be clearer about homework expectations?

Option	Percentage	Quantity
Yes	89.4%	194
No	10.6%	23
Total		217

How involved are you in your child's homework? Tick all that apply.

Option	Percentage	Quantity
I don't get involved with my child's homework	0.6%	2
I check to see that my child's homework is done	54.2%	179
I have corrected my child's mistakes on homework	35.2%	116
I have completed homework for my child just to get it done	3.3%	11
My childminder / grandparent does the homework with my child because I am working	6.7%	22
Total		330

Does your child have special needs or special circumstances that influences their ability to complete homework? Tick all that apply

Option	Percentage	Quantity
None	71.1%	172
My child takes medication for school which has worn off before homework is done	3.3%	8
My child needs a lot of 'downtime' to relax after a hard day at school	10.3%	25
My child spends very little time at home on weekdays due to extended day care, babysitters or custody issues	2.5%	6
My child is too tired, unable to focus	12.8%	31
Total		242

What should happen if your child fails to complete homework? Tick all that apply

Option	Percentage	Quantity
As a parent I should be informed	58.0%	148
As a parent I should only be informed if this happens repeatedly	18.0%	46
There should be no further action	9.0%	23
Homework should be completed in playtimes	12.5%	32
My child should have a detention in school hours	2.4%	6
Total		255

As children enter Key Stage 2, parents are often looking for more homework due to AQE preparations and expectations often increase. We are unsure how much longer academic selection is going to be around for but for the moment this is how things are. Please tick all that apply.

Option	Percentage	Quantity
I would expect AQE preparation type homeworks to be sent home in Primary 6 and the start of Primary 7	38.8%	163
If my child is not sitting the AQE, I would still expect a reasonable amount of homework to be sent home in Primary 7	17.6%	74
Once AQE is finished I believe that homework should stop completely as my child has worked hard enough	7.1%	30
Once AQE has finished I would like homework to change but be in a format that will prepare my child for post-primary school	36.4%	153
Total		420

Summer packs / Easter packs are useful in Key stage 2 (we have to charge for these due to photocopying costs)

Option	Percentage	Quantity
Yes	70.0%	152
No	10.6%	23
Not sure	19.4%	42
Total		217