



Dear Parents,

I wanted to send home a letter explaining a new policy in our 5<sup>th</sup> grade classroom. I have been reading different research reports about homework for the past few weeks. After reading many reports, the conclusion is that homework is not beneficial to students until they are in Junior High and High School. We are using a new Language Arts Curriculum, Core Knowledge Language Arts, and with this program we are working hard the entire morning and part of the afternoon on CKLA. The rest of the afternoon is constant work in our math curriculum, EnVision. Students are spending most of the day here at school working very hard. That being said, I will not be assigning homework on a regular basis. However, if your student does not complete their work in class, they will have to finish their classwork at home.

The only work I will require students do every night is 20 minutes of reading from their library books. We want to ensure that students are reading in order to reach their AR goals on time. There may be some cases when a particular student may need extra practice on a strategy that we are working on in class. If that is the case I will be in contact with you, the parent, and you will be aware of what they need to work on at home.

Again, this decision was made after reviewing the research and after discussing it with Ms. Arnold. We are both of the opinion that this is in the best interest of the students here in 5<sup>th</sup> grade. We are working hard all day long and these kiddos need time to spend with their family. 😊

If you have any questions please send me an email at [Kaitlin.duprey@leonagroup.com](mailto:Kaitlin.duprey@leonagroup.com) or call (480)325-6100.

Thank you!

Sincerely,

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