



## **Leitch Homework Policy**

Homework is important because it helps teach your child organizational and time-management skills. It is also valuable in helping students make the most of their experience in school.

Each week all nine second grade teachers work as a team and collaborate to create a homework packet that reinforces those skills being taught in the classroom. For the majority of the students in the class the homework should be completed independently. However, some students may require parental help in completing certain areas of the packet. One suggestion is to sit down with your child on Monday evening and discuss when each assignment will be completed. On Thursday night, please browse through your child's packet to be sure that all pages have been completed. This packet is designed to be completed over a four-day period. If a student chooses not to do their homework it will reflect on their report card. A signed note from the parent must explain a legitimate reason why the homework was not finished on time. An appropriate reason might be a family emergency or an illness.

Homework assignments are explained prior to the children taking the packets home. Homework is not given as punishment. Homework assignments are planned so that a variety of study skills are practiced. The homework assignment guidelines for second grade are broken down to 110-150 minutes per week. The allotted time does **not** include the nightly reading. Reading should still be practiced 15-20 minutes every night.

Every Friday the homework folder will be sent home. The folder must be returned with the completed homework on the following Friday. I hope you will support the homework policy and provide a positive and quiet environment for your child to complete their homework.

Leitch Elementary is in compliance with Fremont Unified School District's homework standards for the state of California.