Resource 4

Sample Letter to Parents About Homework

Use this sample letter to support parents with student homework.

Date

Dear Parents or Guardians:

I am __________, your child’s _____ grade teacher. I am excited about having your child in my classroom this year and I am looking forward to working with you to ensure that your child has a successful year. To help all students succeed with homework, I have developed a Homework Policy. I will allow time each day to define the homework expectations and teach the students how to do homework successfully. All written homework will be completed in class for the first ____ weeks.

During this time, your child’s homework will be to bring home, share and explain these assignments to you. This will reinforce what took place during the school day.

All students will also have a reading assignment each night. I will send home details about the at-home reading assignments. If at any time you are unclear about an assignment or have questions about your child’s work, please contact me at ________ in the evening. Feel free to drop into the class anytime to observe or participate. Parents and teachers working together will ensure that all students are successful learners!

As part of this new policy, I would like to encourage each student to choose a homework buddy, someone they can call if they have a question about an assignment, forget an assignment or perhaps to quiz each other. Please indicate below whether or not it is okay for your child to share his/her phone number with a homework buddy. Please return the form below.

I look forward to working with you this year.

Sincerely,

________________________  has my permission to have a homework buddy. Our home phone number is __________.

Child’s Name

________________________

Signature         Date