

# **HOMEWORK POLICY**

## **Aims**

- To improve attainment and progress, particularly in the core subjects through planned use of extension and reinforcement activities which can be undertaken at home.
- To offer opportunities for developing key skills for independent learning, such as information retrieval, planning, research and time management.
- To emphasise to children that learning is for life.
- To support the principles outlined in the home/school agreement.
- To present a whole school approach to the use of homework.

## **Action**

- As far as possible, class teachers will operate to an agreed plan for days when homework will be set and communicate this to parents.
- Y3, Yr 4 & Yr 5 will be given a mixture of work from the curriculum. A child is expected to spend up to 30 minutes a week on their set homework.
- Y6 have literacy and maths set every week – each set piece of homework is expected to take up to 30 minutes.
- Daily reading for all children should be recorded in homework journals and is part of the homework expectations
- Regular spellings will be sent home for the children to learn. Parents will be signposted to year group spelling lists in the home/school diaries.
- Tasks to be set over a mixture of school nights and weekends, (e.g. given Wed due in Tues) allowing them to fit in with other home activities.
- The online learning apps are given to the children as extra learning tools but from time to time may be used as part of the homework set (such as Timestable Rockstars in Year 4)

Each pupil will receive a Home/School Diary at the start of the academic year. The diary will need to be signed by parents on a weekly basis. Homework diaries will be signed frequently by staff and regular checks will be made to ensure that the children are using the diaries effectively.

## **Parents' role**

Parents can help by:

- supporting your child with daily reading and enjoying books together.
- supporting background work in subjects being covered.
- establishing good routines and patterns for homework to be completed.
- taking time to discuss their child's school work/ homework on a regular basis.
- signing and commenting in the Home/School Journal.
- making contact with the school if there are homework difficulties.

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