



Homework Policy

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Primary Local Board

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Owner:

Head of School

Rationale

The school believes that homework is important. Homework can make a significant contribution to broadening and consolidating a pupil's knowledge and understanding. This in turn contributes to raising achievement and accelerating progress. It is also a method to improve communication between home and school, focused on the pupil's learning.

KS1/KS2 Homework will:

- be for all pupils from Year 1 to Year 6
- be prepared by the class teacher
- be used effectively to reinforce and extend what is learned in the classroom
- be preparation work for spellings (compulsory) and a piece of Numeracy work (optional for Years 1 to Year 5) each week
- include a half-termly, optional 'family challenge' (an opportunity for families to work together to create a project) which will be linked to each theme
- encourage reading, to be recorded in reading records at least three times a week
- support the learning activities in the classroom
- concentrate on the core curriculum of English, Maths and Theme
- be appropriate and match the needs of the pupil
- regularly planned and given to pupils, every Friday
- have deadlines, agreed with pupils and communicated clearly

FS2 Homework will:

- be for all pupils
- be prepared by the class teacher or key worker
- extend practice of the sound learnt that week
- encourage reading each week (when the pupils are ready)
- include a mathematical task linked to the key area of learning that week
- encourage additional discussion/activity based on children's interest
- encourage parents to email/send in photos and comments of additional learning at home.