



Homework Policy

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Children in the school will be expected to complete some form of homework each week. Homework should be a pleasant experience and should be used to reinforce children's learning.

The aims and approach outlined below are both realistic and sensible. As in all areas of school life, it is essential that parents and the school are clear about what is to be achieved, and are mutually supportive.

Aims:

- to encourage and enhance the work ethic
- to reinforce work done at school
- to enable parents to share in the child's life at school
- to encourage a feeling of self-worth and to help to develop a sense of pride and achievement

Approach:

Homework builds on work done in the classroom and parental support is vital.

Years R and 1: Daily reading recorded in reading record book; flash cards, sounds and letter names, other curriculum learning in the form of a weekly family challenge activity.

Years 2, 3, 4 and 5

Every Friday, the children will be given their challenge homework to complete. There will be a grid with 12 different activities. Throughout the term the children need to select one activity to complete each week. There will be a variety of challenges including, English, maths, topic and family time. The homework must be returned by the following Thursday. If for some reason a child is unable to do the homework, we will allow them time to complete the task in school. We will expect them to attend as this will give every child the opportunity to have completed their homework before the next challenge is set.

Year 6

Every Friday, the children will be given their challenge homework to complete. There will be a grid with 12 different activities. Throughout the term the children need to select one activity to complete each week. There will be a variety of challenges including, English, maths, topic and family time. The homework must be returned by the following Thursday. If for some reason a child is unable to do the homework, we will allow them time to complete the task in school. We will expect them to attend as this will give every child the opportunity to have completed their homework before the next challenge is set.

In addition to this the children will be set weekly maths and spelling homework.

Role of the parent/carer:

The greatest gift that a parent can give a child is time. As well as supporting the child in set homework it is important to create opportunities for discussion as often as possible. It is hoped that parents will support the school by encouraging their children to develop a responsible attitude to the completion of homework.