

Homework Policy

Date of policy	Date for renewal	Signed	
October 2024	October 2027	Elizabeth Whittingham (Headteacher)	Andrew Gibson (Chair of Governors)

Homework is seen as being a means of involving parents and developing the partnership between home and school, which is important for successful learning. However, it is not the school's policy to set large amounts of homework because we feel that children should have time at home to play and relax.

There will be some occasions where homework may not be set e.g. staff illness, start/end of term etc.

EYFS

- Children will take reading books home and parents will be asked to record comments in their child's reading record book
- ➤ Children will take home phonics cards to consolidate phonic knowledge
- Children can consolidate their reading and maths skills through engaging with activities posted on Tapestry
- They may be asked to collect information or materials to help with a topic

Y1 and Y2

- ➤ Children will take reading books home and parents will be asked to record comments in their child's reading record book
- Children may be asked to do some work at home, if they need additional practice, for example, with handwriting. This would be discussed with the parents as their cooperation is important
- > Children may be asked to research a topic or find items of interest relevant to a topic
- > Children will be given weekly spelling lists corresponding with phonic teaching. There will be a weekly spell check on these spellings
- Mathematical activities may be given for homework which are related to work being done in class
- ➤ Children should be encouraged to learn their times tables (2x, 5x, 10x and 3x)

Y3, Y4 and Y5

- Children are expected to read at home for at least 15 minutes 3 (or more) times a week. This should be recorded in reading diaries and parents should sign their child's reading diary to confirm this.
- Spellings will be set weekly, as appropriate.
- Mathematics will be sent home weekly
- English homework will be set in Year 5/6
- Learning multiplication tables (up to 12x) will continue to be an ongoing activity
- > Some homework will be given involving using a variety of research methods to find information relating to a particular topic or curriculum area. Here, the children will be encouraged to use the Internet, the local library and other media as appropriate

Y6

In Year 6, the amount of homework given will increase, especially in preparation for their move to High School and also in preparation for SATs.

The work given will be similar to that in Years 3, 4 and 5 but the frequency and complexity will increase.

This policy will be reviewed every three years or earlier if required.