

Home Learning Policy 2023

The Purpose of the policy

The purpose of this policy is to make explicit what is expected of both teachers and pupils regarding weekly homelearning activities. All members of staff are expected to be familiar with the policy and to apply it consistently.

Homelearning is an important element of children's primary school education. It enables them to further develop their learning at home by extending what they have learned at school. Furthermore, it enables pupils to reinforce the learning that has taken place at school to ensure that they are secure in their learning of key concepts. It also helps to prepare children to become independent learners and manage their own time effectively in preparation for secondary school and life beyond.

When is homelearning set?

Keystage One and Two classes set new homework every Wednesday and this should be returned to school by the following Monday, allowing children 5 days to complete the activities which have been set.

What will homework consist of?

Key Stage One

- Daily reading, to be recorded in the reading record book.
- Phonics or reading comprehension
- Maths and writing tasks alternating each week

Key Stage Two

- Daily reading, to be recorded in the reading record book.
- Spellings; pupils will be given new spellings to learn every Wednesday. These will be the words they have been learning during their spelling lessons. This may be a task set on PurpleMash
- Practise times tables using TTRockstars
- Punctuation and Grammar this will be based on new punctuation or grammar they have been taught or applying previously taught knowledge and skills

Class teachers may set some project based learning based on the child's current topic.

Teachers have a responsibility to ensure that pupils are consistently set homelearning which is at an appropriately differentiated level. They should ensure that homelearning set is in line with work which has been completed at school and so is not an entirely new concept to the child.

Marking

- All homelearning, that is received back in school by the end of Monday, will be acknowledged by the class teacher. Appropriate feedback will be given if felt to be necessary.
- All children who return homelearning back in school by the end of Monday, we be rewarded through housepoints and these will be awarded for effort as well as achievement.
- Children will be reminded and encouraged to return their home learning prior to or on the day it is
 due in.
- Class teachers are not expected to mark homelearning retrospectively.
- Children who collect the greatest amount of coins on TTRockstars or are consistently showing they are logging in and practising their timestables will be celebrated in celebration assembly.

Parents and Homelearning

- Parents are encouraged to guide children with their homelearning should they need it, however they should encourage the child to work independently to complete the tasks set.
- If parents have any issues with homelearning they should raise their concerns with the class teacher initially.
- If children are unable to complete their home learning at home, they should be encouraged to attend homelearning club as an after school club. The teacher responsible for the club can support the child/ren where necessary.