

Homework Policy 2022

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#### Aims

- To use homework as a tool to help continue to raise standards of attainment.
- Encourage pupils and their parents to share and enjoy learning experiences.
- Encourage children to develop the responsibility, confidence and self-discipline needed to study independently.

## <u>Nursery Homework</u>

- Homework within the Nursery stage is given in the form of reading. Parents are
  encouraged to read regularly with children, sharing a book at bedtime or any other
  available opportunity, to build up a reading habit and support children's
  understanding of books and the pleasure they can bring. Parents, please upload
  pictures and videos to Tapestry.
- During the Autumn and Spring Term, children will bring a book home for the weekend.
   On a Monday morning, children will work in key groups to discuss their chosen book. Parents, please upload pictures and videos to tapestry.
- In the Summer term, parents will be invited in to school to select the reading book with their child. This will be done at the time of collection.
- There may be times when additional work is sent home to mark significant dates/ times in the year.

## <u>Reception Homework</u>

- Parents will receive a home work pack, which will consist of pencil, ruler, handwriting formation sheet and information about RWI (Read Write Inc).
- Each week a maths and phonics worksheet will be sent home alongside their reading book. Parents, please upload photos/videos to tapestry of the children working at home.
- QR codes may be sent home with links to RWI videos when appropriate.
- Parents are expected to read daily with children sharing a book at bedtime or any
  other available opportunity, to build up a reading habit and support children's
  understanding of books and the pleasure they can bring.

<u>Homework within Key Stage One:</u>

Year 1: Reading Independent reading book - based on RWI groups and the sounds/book children have practised that week. It might be sounds, short sentences (ditties) or a RWI reading book. To be logged on Boom Reader or in their school reading record book.

Shared read - this is a book chosen by the children to 'read for pleasure' alongside an adult.

Parents are expected to read with children daily to build up a reading habit and support children's understanding of new words.

## Writing

Name writing - to practise the correct spelling and letter formation.

## <u>Spellings</u>

Weekly spellings - focusing on Year 1 spelling patterns in the curriculum. Weekly spellings are given out in a list and the children have access to Spelling Shed to practise weekly spellings through games (Spelling lessons will be posted on Showbie weekly to support). Children are then tested in school to assess children's spelling accuracy and any common misconceptions. Tests will be completed in their English book with a photo being posted on Showbie to keep parents informed.

### <u>Maths</u>

Education City (Homework tab) - Homework tasks will be added to Education City weekly that support in class learning.

## Year 2: Reading

Independent reading book - based on RWI groups and the sounds/book children have practised that week. It might be sounds, short sentences (ditties) or a RWI reading book. To be logged on Boom Reader or in their school reading record book.

Shared read - this is a book chosen by the children to 'read for pleasure' alongside an

adult.

Parents are expected to read with children daily to build up a reading habit and support children's understanding of new words.

<u>Spellings</u>

Weekly spellings - focusing on Year 2 spelling patterns in the curriculum. Weekly spellings are given out in a list and the children have access to Spelling Shed to practise weekly spellings through games (Spelling lessons will be posted on Showbie weekly to support). Children are then tested in school to assess children's spelling accuracy and any common misconceptions. Tests will be completed in their English book with a photo being posted on Showbie to keep parents informed.

### Maths

Education City (Homework tab) - Homework tasks will be added to Education City weekly that support in class learning.

<u>Lower Key Stage 2</u>

- Homework within year 3 and 4 is given in the form of reading, spelling and multiplication tables. There is NO FORMAL BOOK for homework to be recorded in as all homework is uploaded to Showbie. Paper copies are available to parents on request.
- Parents are expected to read with children at least 3 times a week to build up a reading habit and support children's understanding of new words and add

comments to go read.

- Weekly spellings are given out in Spelling Shed list (supported by assignments and hive games on Spelling Shed). Video clips of Spelling lessons will be posted on Showbie weekly to support. Children are tested in school to assess children's spelling accuracy and any common misconceptions. Tests will be completed in their English Book with a photo being posted on Showbie to keep parents informed.
- Multiplication tables are set through the online program Tackling Tables.
- Homework tasks will be added to Education City weekly that support in class learning (one English and one maths task).
- Children who do not complete homework will be expected to stay in at breaktime to complete.

# <u>Upper Key Stage 2</u>

- Homework within year 5 and 6 is given in the form of reading, spelling and assigned nuggets on Century. There is NO FORMAL BOOK for homework to be recorded in as all homework is uploaded to Showbie. Paper copies are available to parents on request.
- Parents are expected to read with children at least 3 times a week to build up a reading habit and support children's understanding of new words and add comments to go read.

- Weekly spellings are given out in Spelling Shed list (supported by assignments and hive games on Spelling Shed). Video clips of Spelling lessons will be posted on Showbie weekly to support. Children are tested in school to assess children's spelling accuracy and any common misconceptions. Tests will be completed in their English Book with a photo being posted on Showbie to keep parents informed.
- Homework tasks (nuggets) will be added to Century weekly that support in class learning (One English and one maths task).
- Recognising the focus of achievement within year six and the transition from primary school to secondary school, tasks in year six differ slightly during the spring term. This term, the children use a range of booklets (CGP) to support improvement, specifically in English and Mathematics. In addition, the children will be expected to complete weekly arithmetic tests on Maths Bot. Screen shots will be taken and uploaded to Showbie, so that they can be added to individual files.
- Children who do not complete homework will be expected to stay in at breaktime to complete.

### <u>Online Tools</u>

KS1 and KS2 children have access to a range of online tools to support their learning at home. At the start of the school year, the children will be given login details for Bug Club, Times tables Rock Stars, Tackling Tables, Duolingo, Education City and Century (upper KS2).

Recognising our vision for all children to become independent learners, all children are encouraged to research any areas they feel unsure of.