



Homework Guidance for Parents/Carers

Homework reinforces classroom learning and helps develop skills taught in school. Your support with homework makes such a difference and can improve your child's general confidence in learning both in and out of the school. We hope that you will find this guide helpful and valuable as you support your child in his or her homework.

What is the purpose of homework?

- to provide home / school links
- to reinforce or extend work being done in class
- to form good study habits

What is my child expected to do at home?

- Your child is given one piece of maths work to do each Monday and a SPAG online task. All homework must be completed for the following Thursday. These tasks are expected to take approximately 15 to 30 minutes each, depending on the age and ability of each child.
- In addition, your child should spend 10 to 15 minutes, every day, on reading. Younger, or less able children, should read aloud and then talk about what they have read. Once children are fluent readers, they can then read on their own for at least 20 minutes a day, most days.
- Also, your child will have times tables or spellings to practise and this is most effective if you spend a few minutes on this every day.

What happens if my child does not hand in their homework?

We are trying to maintain a school wide commitment to quality homework. Therefore, if your child forgets to hand in their work on a Thursday, they will be allowed to bring it the following day, but we politely request a note from you to explain why it was late. If they forget their homework on Friday too, KS2 pupils will be expected to complete their work during break time.

We understand that there will always be exceptions, where due to illness, family circumstances, or other unforeseen difficulties, your child may have problems in completing their work. In which case, please write a note for your child's teacher.

We also have a homework club (led by a member of staff) that runs each Tuesday lunchtime in case your child is unable to access the internet from home.

How can parents help?

- Encourage your child to take care and pride in the presentation of their work.
- Take a close interest in your child's work and offer to help by; listening to reading, asking questions, testing spelling and revising multiplication tables.

Spending even a small amount of time supporting and showing a genuine interest in your child's homework will encourage and motivate your child.

All homework will go out each Monday; your child must bring a book bag/ bag to school every day.	
Reception	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Flash cards and key words and reading books will be changed each week: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Books to share</i> will be changed each Tuesday - Reading books will be changed each Thursday
KS1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Weekly maths • Lexia online • Spellings • Reading books will be changed as soon as your child finishes their book and children need to read daily to an adult
KS2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Weekly maths • Spag.com set online • Reading records must be signed weekly • Spellings and Times tables
All homework books to be handed in each Thursday.	

Thank you for your support and we look forward to working with you to develop your child's progress.