



Homework Policy

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Aims

Teachers, children, parents and carers need to share the following aims if homework is to be effective:

- Homework should be used to encourage children to read for a purpose and pleasure
- Homework will focus on speaking and listening in EYFS, reading and times tables/ number facts in Y1-6 to allow the pupil to reinforce or develop the basic skills that they need for the next stage of their education.
- Homework should promote independence and self-discipline.
- Flip learning homework projects provide a way to involve parents and carers in their child's learning. They spark family curiosity and learning about topics that children will be learning in the upcoming term. Creating a home-school partnership.

Homework will always fall into one of the following categories:

Speaking and listening- EYFS

Children will be asked to carry out talk tasks with their carer. To go on an adventure, to share a book, to learn how to play a game or do an activity together that promotes back and forth conversations.

Reading

Children should read an age appropriate book that they have chosen from their book area. Teachers will provide extracts from texts specific to the topic areas that the children are currently learning about. Children who are on Read Write Inc (RWI) phonics will take home three books, this will include a book that matches their phonics level, a RWI book and a book from their book corner.

Number Fluency

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Children are expected to practise their times tables daily. Each child from year 2 to year 6 has an online maths game login (times table rockstars) and children are encouraged to play on their game for at least 20 minutes a day.

Handwriting

A weekly RWI handwriting sheet will be sent home for Reception children to allow children to practise their letter formation.

Flip learning projects

These are set for each school holiday. Children are challenged to carry out research with their families in order to produce a sculpture, a piece of art, a fact sheet or poster about an upcoming topic area.

Homework Expectations:

Children in Key Stage 1 should read for at least 15/ 20 minutes a night.

Children in Key stage 2 should read for at least 30 minutes a night.

In year 6 children will also be asked to complete revision guides for reading and maths, and should also play on their online grammar revision games daily (spag.com) All of which they are supported with at extended school provision.

Parents' Homework Workshop

Teachers in each year group will hold a workshop for all parents in the hall at the beginning of the year. Letters of invitation will be sent well in advance of the meeting to allow as many parents and carers as possible to attend. During the meeting teachers will provide explanations, activities and resource packs to enable parents to support their child with reading and online maths games at home.

Responsibilities

Teachers will provide weekly homework in line with the policy. Teachers will monitor and check homework that is handed in and work in reading diaries. Phone calls home will be made if homework or reading diaries are not completed.

Support

To ensure that every child has the chance to succeed in life, Hallsville and Scott Wilkie Primary Schools will support families who find it difficult to encourage their children to do their homework at home. A quiet supportive space to complete their homework in school will be provided during the school day. Children are also supported with basic skills in school with the extended school day provision (mornings and after schools) which includes tutoring.