



Platt C.E Primary School

Homework Policy

The school policy for homework was developed and agreed by the whole staff in consultation with parents and pupils and has the full agreement of the Governing Body. The consultation was through an online survey and open meetings for parents.

1. Our Aims:

- Ensure that parents are clear about what their child is expected to do.
- Ensure consistency of approach throughout the school.
- To use homework as a tool to help to continue to raise standards of attainment.
- Improve the quality of the learning experience offered to pupils and to extend it beyond the classroom environment.
- Provide opportunities for parents, children and the school to work together in partnership in relation to children's learning.
- Encourage pupils and their parents to share and enjoy learning experiences.
- Reinforce work covered in class by providing further opportunities for the individual pupil.
- Encourage children to develop the responsibility, confidence and self-discipline needed to study independently.
- To prepare Year 6 pupils for the transfer to secondary school.

2. Preparing for homework

It is vital to establish a homework routine as early as possible, this will help children later on to be organised, planned and ensure they gain the most out of the experience.

Top tips:

- Make sure they have a clear space to work where they can focus on the tasks.
- Timetable good times to complete the tasks.

3. Homework tasks

Reception

- Tapestry journal used throughout
- Current phonemes sent home to use
- 5 spellings-phonics or high frequency-sent out weekly when appropriate
- Reading bag daily

Year 1

- English and Maths every other week*

- English is a project and maths linked to week's learning (20 minutes)
- Daily reading
- Spelling weekly (8 words max)

Year 2

- English and maths every week*
- English is a project and maths linked to week's learning (20 minutes)
- Daily reading
- Spelling weekly (10 words max)

Year 3 & 4

- English and maths every week linked to week's learning (20/30 minutes)*
- Daily reading
- Spelling weekly (10 words max)

Year 5

- English and maths every week*
- 30 minutes for English and 30 minutes for maths.
- Spelling weekly

Year 6

- 40 minutes for English and 30 minutes for maths every week*
- SPAG as and when necessary
- Spelling weekly

*Maths homework maybe in the form of Mathletics an online resource.
Spelling resources maybe through Spellodrome another online resource.

At Platt CE Primary School we are very keen for parents to support and help their children with homework. We take the view that children are likely to get more out of an activity if parents get involved as long as they do not take over too much. However, there are times when we will want to see what children can do independently. It is particularly important, as they get older, for children to become increasingly independent in their learning. If a parent is unsure about what their role should be, they should discuss it with their child's teacher. Parents/Carers who have queries about homework should not hesitate to make an appointment to see their child's class teacher.

Inclusion:

The school will provide a club to support homework in school and Upper Key Stage 2 pupils will be expected to attend this if they have not completed their homework.