



Homework

Calcot Infants and Junior Schools

1. Document Control

Adopted / Adopted and Adapted / Schools own: **School's own**

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Responsible committee: **Curriculum**

Statutory: **No**

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Chair of Governors' signature:

2. Change History

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1	2016 October	Created
2	2019 March	Amended
3	2021 November	No changes
4	2023 September	Amended

Status

Non statutory (Recommended)

General Principles

1. 'Homework' refers to any work or activities which pupils are asked to do outside normal school time, either on their own or with parents, guardians or carers.
2. To be effective, homework needs to be seen as part of the strong partnership between home and school.
3. Homework reflects and reinforces classroom learning; it is an activity for pupils, supported by parents, guardians or carers.
4. There is a regular programme for each year group, so that everyone - teachers, pupils and parents/guardians/carers know what to expect each week. A familiar routine is helpful for pupils, parents and teachers.

Purpose of Homework

1. To help the pupils consolidate and reinforce skills and understanding, particularly in literacy and mathematics.
2. To develop an effective partnership between school and home.
3. To extend school learning, for example through additional reading.
4. To encourage pupils as they get older to develop the confidence and self-discipline needed to study on their own, and prepare them for the requirements of secondary school and further education.

Guidelines for recommended time-allocation

The following guidelines are given in broad terms; the weekly times are based on Monday to Friday, but could be spread out over the weekend if more convenient:

Reception	15 minutes a day reading and sharing books	Daily reading for all children	Family tasks on tapestry
Year 1	15 minutes per week + time for daily reading		MyMaths task Weekly spellings/Phonics
Year 2	30 minutes + time for daily reading		MyMaths task Oxford Reading Buddy
Year 3	30 minutes + time for daily reading		Weekly spellings
Year 4	40 minutes + time for daily reading		X tables
Year 5	40 minutes + time for daily reading		
Year 6	60 minutes + time for daily reading, & independent study time		

Additional points

1. The daily reading session, which the Government recommends for all children, can be done as part of homework. On days when the homework activity is something other

than reading, children will be encouraged, in addition, to read (on their own or with others).

2. Homework should be work that children can complete with increasing independence as it is consolidation of the work they are covering in school. If children are finding it difficult, please let the class teacher know. Parents/carers are asked to support children attempting homework, but if this is causing difficulty please come in and discuss your concerns with the class teacher.
3. All pupils have a Home/School Reading Record Book where comments about a child's reading or homework can be made.

Special Education Needs

1. Some pupils with special educational needs may benefit from special tasks set by the teacher which may be separate from the homework set for other children in the same class. However, it is also important that pupils with special educational needs should do some homework which is similar to that set for the rest of the class.
2. Homework set for pupils with special educational needs will give plenty of opportunities for pupils to succeed.

Feedback on Homework

1. Parents are encouraged to give immediate feedback.
2. School feedback may be through classwork, tests, or individual comments from the teacher.
3. Feedback from home to school (and vice versa) can be arranged through letters, comments in books, or through a pre-arranged, mutually convenient time for a parent/teacher discussion.

Responsible officer

Senior Leadership team

Responsible Committee

Curriculum Committee

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