

Shelley Pyramid Family of Schools

Homework Policy

2016



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'Learning should be supported by appropriate homework.'
Commission on Assessment without levels 2015

'Teachers set challenging homework, in line with the school's policy and as appropriate for the age and stage of pupils, that consolidates learning, deepens understanding and prepares pupils for work to come.'

Ofsted Grade descriptor. Teaching, Learning and Assessment – Outstanding. Sept 2015

Aims

To develop skills and qualities that prepare pupils to be next stage ready.

To create a firm partnership between parents and teachers in relation to pupils' learning.

To encourage positive attitudes in pupils to develop their learning.

To consolidate learning, deepen understanding and prepare pupils for work to come.

Expectations

Reception to Year 5	Reading – 10 to 15 minutes per night. Half an hour to two hours per week spent on other tasks. Time dependent upon Key Stage.
Year 6	30 minutes per night with an emphasis on core subjects.
Years 7 and 8	45 to 60 minutes per night with an emphasis on core subjects
Year 9	30 minutes per task – average 2 tasks per night
Years 10 and 11	45 minutes per task – average 2 to 3 tasks per night
Year 12 and 13	2 hours per subject per week plus 2 to 3 hours directed, independent study.

More Able and Additional Needs Pupils

Homework activities will be differentiated where appropriate to ensure the needs of all pupils are met.

What will happen if children don't complete their homework?

There is an expectation throughout the Shelley Pyramid of Schools that pupils complete homework and each school will have their own system of support to ensure homework is completed. (Appendix I)

If children are struggling to complete homework please contact the school for support.

Monitoring the effectiveness of this policy

The effectiveness of this policy will be reviewed annually or when the need arises, and the necessary recommendations for improvement will be made to Shelley Pyramid Heads.