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Dear parents

Northbrook Primary Academy Homework Expectations

At Northbrook Primary Academy we believe that learning is not restricted to the activities and experiences that students have at school and during lessons. Learning is a life-long process both inside and outside of school. We believe that homework provides invaluable opportunities for students to engage with their learning outside of the classroom environment. Therefore, we will be operating a new homework procedure in school starting this week.

What is Homework for?

Homework therefore consolidates and extends learning that has taken place within lessons and gives our children the opportunity to work independently and prepare for future lessons, practice techniques or further develop appropriate skills and enhance knowledge. Our aim is for this to be structured, meaningful and coherent for all concerned. Homework also gives parents the chance to support their child's progress and encourages dialogue about school experience.

How is homework set and what are the deadlines?

Homework will be set on Seesaw by the class teacher and will also be posted on our website under the class pages (<https://northbrookpa.org/classes>) and the 'homework' page which can be found on the curriculum section (<https://northbrookpa.org/curriculum>). It will be set at the beginning of each half-term and will consist of variety of activities that the children can select from and complete in their own time, aiming to return work to school or through Seesaw prior to their class' celebration event. The work can be completed in a variety of ways dependent on the selected task; including by making, photographing or video recording. Our children will be given twelve tasks to select from each half-term and we recommend that they complete a minimum of six. Year 5 and Year 6 will have nine tasks to select from but will also receive further homework linked to their preparation for their SATs and in order to prepare them for moving on to high school.

Is homework completion compulsory?

We will reward children for their homework completion but there will not be any sanctions if children do not to complete twelve tasks. However, there is an increased expectation for Year 5 and Year 6 children to complete the English and Mathematic weekly homework set by their class teacher.



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Who can help with homework?

We set appropriate homework that should be achievable by each child. We encourage all parents to use homework as another chance to support their child's progress and encourage dialogue about the school learning experience.

What other enrichment activities can students do?

We encourage all students to enrich their learning by reading for pleasure and teachers often recommend books, magazines, newspapers, television and the wealth of resources on the internet etc. All homework task lists will also include additional opportunities develop age appropriate literacy and numeracy skills and knowledge.

If you have any questions or queries regarding homework please do not hesitate to contact your child's class teacher or Miss Hall as the Key Stage 2 Leader or Miss Sharrock as the Key Stage 1 Leader. We will confirm the celebration events for each class shortly and look forward to be able to invite parents into school to celebrate in the children's successes.

Thank you in anticipation of your continued support.

Kindest regards,

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