## Rackham (CE) **Primary School**



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Policy Number: SCH 015

PRIMARY Date: September 2016

This policy refers to the commitments made in the home/school agreement and relates to the Teaching and Learning, Assessment, and Marking policies.

#### Aims

- To promote learning beyond the school day as an essential part of good education
- To develop an effective partnership between school and parents/carers as co-educators
- To reinforce, consolidate and extend classroom learning
- To encourage all pupils to develop independent learning skills, including the habits of enquiry and investigation
- To develop the self-discipline required to study independently and prepare children for the requirements of secondary school

#### Provision

The amount of homework set will depend on the age/ability of the child. The school follows the government recommendations:

EYFS	Approx. 50 minutes a week
Years 1 and 2	1 hour per week
Years 3 and 4	1.5 hours per week
Years 5 and 6	2.5 hours per week

This will include time for learning spellings, phonics, multiplication tables, reading, gathering information.

Homework should take a variety of forms including games, worksheets, research etc. and should not always be a formal pencil and paper style.

Homework should be an integral part of the curriculum and should be planned alongside current programmes of study. It will be suitable to the age, ability and circumstances of the pupils.

#### **Roles and responsibilities**

#### **Teachers**

The Home/School Agreement states that teachers will: Ensure regular homework is marked and reviewed as appropriate.

Teachers will ensure that:

- Pupils and parents are given a timetable/guidance for homework at the start of each term
- Where appropriate, homework should be marked in line with the school Marking policy. Children often review their homework as part of the lesson.
- Tasks are differentiated and well structured
- Pupils understand the purpose of the homework tasks
- It is clear to pupils how their homework consolidates and extends the work they are doing in school
- If children are unable to complete homework at home, time may be provided at school

Year Leaders will monitor provision of homework by considering links to subject planning, time allocation, differentiation, feedback of children and parents.

#### <u>Parents</u>

Our Home/School agreement states that parents will make every effort to support their child's learning at home.

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This should include making homework part of a child's routine to reinforce learning; some tasks will specifically require adult involvement.

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Parents will be informed if the quality of their children's homework falls below expectations.

#### **School Practice**

See Homework policy overview.

This policy will be reviewed and agreed in line with Government guidelines by the Governing Body.

#### Approved and signed by:

Headteacher

Signed:

Date:

### Chair of Governing body

Signed:

Date:

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