West Kidlington Primary and Nursery School

Homework Policy

Homework is to assess if children have understood what they have learnt in the week



2021/22

Role	Name	Signature
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Next review: July 2023

Statement of Intent

Homework is to be completed independently by children with the guidance of supportive adults in the home. If there is difficulty, please do not do it for them but let the class teacher know by writing a comment.

The purpose of homework is:

- Assess if children's learning is secure outside of the school context and inform future learning
- to inform parents/carers of learning that's happened that week;
- to consolidate what has been taught that week in class and/or
- to create excitement about a new topic.

On occasion teachers may like to issue topical / creative homework.

All homework is to be marked by the class teacher/TA/peer marked in-line with the school's marking policy (initialled by marker). If marked by a TA, feedback is to be given to class teacher. Additional comments and/or stickers/stamps may be used.

All homework will be issued on a Thursday and returned to school on a Tuesday to allow children and parents/carers sufficient time to ensure that it has been completed.

All homework will be sent home in a homework book and NOT loose sheets of paper. Late homework will not be marked - late homework is anything handed in after Tuesday. Any child who does not return their homework book will be given homework on a loose sheet (named) to be stuck in at home.

Reception

- 4-5x a week reading to a parent/carer.
- Tapestry informs parents/carers of next steps for children and gives daily updates on what
- their child needs to continue learning at home.

Year I/2

- 4-5x a week reading.
- Maths Consolidation of what has been taught in class e.g. a 'Do it' (Up to 5 questions).
- English Continuation of what has been taught in class.
- RWI Spellings To be learnt for a spelling check during that week with the addition of common exception words.
- Weekly homework should last no more than 30 minutes.

Year 3/4/5

- 4-5x a week reading lasting 15-20 minutes.
- Maths Consolidation of what has been taught in class e.g. a 'Do it' (Up to 5 questions).
- English Continuing on from what has been taught in class.
- RWI Spellings To be learnt for a spelling check fortnightly.
- Weekly homework should last no more than 40 minutes.

Year 6

- 3+ x a week reading lasting for 30 minutes to encourage stamina.
- Maths Consolidation of what has been taught in class e.g. a 'Do it' (Up to 5 questions).
- English Continuing on from what has been taught in class.
- WRI Spellings To be learnt for a spelling check fortnightly.
- Year 6 to have additional weekly spellings when required.
- Weekly homework should last no more than 40 minutes.

It is vital that ALL year groups do this so that we demonstrate consistency throughout the school. Homework is not for parents/carers to teach something new but is to consolidate previous learning. Parents can, if they choose to, take this learning on further. There will be NO sanction for children not completing their homework. A termly certificate will be given to each child that completes their homework every week to be issued by the Principal - this includes children who have handed in homework late.