



Midgley School Homework Policy

Rationale

1.1 At Midgley School, it is recognised that the majority of children attend clubs and activities outside of school. Some of our children also attend MSECC (Midgley School Extra Care Club). Children from all year groups are encouraged and expected to complete homework as follows: -

Purpose

- 2.1 To state the important place homework has in supporting the progress of our children
- 2.2 to set out how much homework will be set for children of different ages

Broad Guidelines

3.1 In March 2012, the DfE recommended that headteachers set their own homework policy knowing the needs and requirements of their individual schools. The following amounts of homework will continue to be set:

- KS1: 1 hour per week
- Lower KS2: 1.5 hours per week
- Upper KS2: 30 minutes per night.

These times can be averaged out over the term as topic based work/projects. These are expected to be in addition to daily reading etc. which is recommended to be at least 20 minutes per day for Key Stage Two children and a little less for Key Stage One children.

- 3.2 Homework is important because it helps children to do better at school. The DfE states that the completion of homework 'can be equal to an additional year's schooling in the primary and secondary phase'.
- 3.3 It is important for children to extend and practise skills and knowledge learned in school.
- 3.4 Children take ownership and responsibility for their own learning and develop as independent learners especially as they prepare for high school.
- 3.5 It helps parents to become involved in their child's education and share the things they do at school.
- 3.6 Homework should be set and managed effectively. The purpose and instructions for each homework task should be clear, and both children and parents should know how and where to get help. Pupils and parents should also be aware of how much time should be allocated to a task and how much would be appropriate
- 3.7 Feedback should be given on homework.

Miss Mansfield, the Headteacher, is the teacher with responsibility for overseeing the homework policy.

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