

Children's Responsibilities:

- Use their homework book / folder to complete homework tasks
- Complete and return homework on time
- To share homework with parents/ carers and be increasingly responsible for their own time management
- Inform the teacher of any difficulties with homework prior to the date that it is due in.

Parent/Carer's Responsibilities:

- To listen to their child read and talk about books with them
- To help children to learn weekly spellings and times table facts as applicable
- To encourage and praise their child
- To provide a distraction free environment and the necessary materials to complete homework
- To show their child that homework is valued
- To assist their child in completing homework or notify the teacher of any reasons that prevent this from happening (e.g. the allotted time has been exceeded or personal difficulties).

Useful websites:

www.mathletics.co.uk

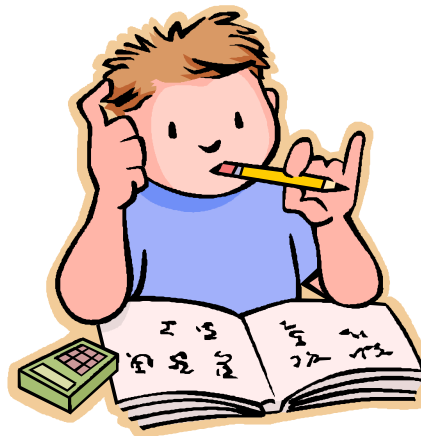
All children have their own login and password to access their homework. Ask your child's class teacher if you require a copy of these details.

www.bbc.co.uk/schools

www.literacytrust.org.uk

www.counon.org

www.education.gov.uk



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**Homework
Guidance for
Parents and
Carers**

Homework is set as follows:

YEARS 3 / 4 and 5

Reading: 10 minutes at least 3 times per week with an adult - Reading Record to be signed.

Spellings/Table Facts: Once per weekday, 5 - 10 minutes depending on ability (related to targets as and when applicable).

Numeracy: online and paper.

Homework Books

Each child will be given a Homework Book, which is a personalised learning resource to record responses to learning challenges. We want the children to take pride in and enjoy working and creating their homework over time. The tasks will require your child to apply their research skills and/or to consolidate their understanding of activities that they have been working on in school.

When your child's class teacher sets the task, they will give your child some guidance about what to include in their work.

Your child's homework book is a unique record of their thinking and learning.

Homework Books are very visual and will have an impact on how your child develops as an independent learner.

Your child can make their work as vibrant and colourful as they wish. They can include drawings and pictures where relevant. Whilst their writing should be easy to read, coloured pencils or gel pens can be used for some lettering.

Why set Homework?

Homework extends and supports the learning experience through reinforcement and revision.

It provides opportunities for parents and pupils to work together and encourages children to develop long term strategies for future needs.

School Responsibilities:

- Ensure that homework is appropriate for the child's age and ability
- Give tasks a clear focus
- Offer assistance when children find homework difficult
- Ensure that tasks are balanced throughout the week
- Give children plenty of opportunities to succeed
- Provide prompt and clear feedback on children's work.

The Class Teacher will comment on the work completed. Parents can also comment on their child's work.

YEAR 3

"Take Home" tasks related to topics

YEAR 4

Fortnightly Learning Tasks

YEAR 5

Research Projects: Autumn and Spring Terms

Approximate Homework Timings

Year 3: 2 hours per week maximum

Year 4: 2 hours 30 minutes per week maximum

Year 5: 2 hours 40 minutes per week maximum

YEAR 6

Reading: 10 minutes at least 3 times per week, once with an adult-Reading record to be signed.

Spellings/Table Facts: Once per weekday, 5 - 10 minutes depending on ability (related to targets).

Autumn Term

Literacy: 30 - 40 minutes

Numeracy: 30-40 minutes (online and paper)

Spring Term

Numeracy revision: 30-40 minutes (online and paper)

Research Work / Literacy: 1 hour

Summer Term

Numeracy Project Work: 30-40 minutes (online and paper)

Literacy: 30-40 minutes

3 hours per week maximum