



# Information about Learning Logs

## Key Stage 1 (Years 1-2)



- Learning Logs are a whole school approach here at Templewood and encourage you to work with your children at home.
- They are not optional and must be completed weekly.
- The class teacher will be setting one learning task in their Learning Log each Thursday and will expect them to be completed and handed in every Tuesday.
- You will be able to use many methods to work with your child on each task. You may want to take photos, cut things out, paint, draw, colour, etc. Your child can complete the task however they wish, with your support, as appropriate.
- Clear expectations will be given weekly to explain the task along with a Learning Objective and Success Criteria to help guide your child's thinking.
- You do not need to spend hours on the Learning Logs each week, as most tasks can be completed in a short space of time.
- We ask that with your child you assess how they have found each task by writing a G/A/R (G-Got it, A-Almost, R-Re-visit) by the Success Criteria
- An approximate time for the task to be completed is 20-30 minutes.
- Please encourage your child to take pride in their Learning Logs and have fun with the tasks.
- The school offers an after school Learning Log Club.

### What is a learning log?

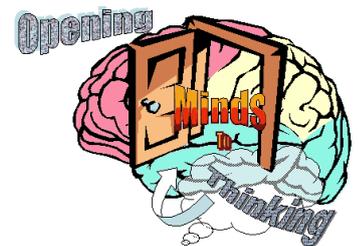
Learning logs are a unique personalised learning resource for children. In the learning logs, the children record their responses to learning challenges set by their teachers. Each log is an individual record of the child's thinking and learning.

Research in schools where learning logs are used shows that they have become an essential part of the teaching and learning programme and have had a major impact on the drive to develop a more independent learner.

### Why use learning logs?

Evidence shows learning logs;

- are more fun than old homework
- encourage children to think about learning
- help parents to know what we are doing at school
- give a chance for children to choose how they do their homework
- encourage better quality work to be produced



### What does a learning log look like?

Children can choose how they present their work. Children can extend their work with fold outs, photos, coloured pens/pencils, cut out pictures etc.

Each learning log is a red A4 book. The learning tasks will be related to recent teaching and learning activities in school or research for future learning.

In KS1 children will use a double page spread for each learning task, and in KS2 the children are to use a single page for each learning task- i.e. a double page spread for the two learning tasks each week.