

WESTFIELD COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL

HOMEWORK POLICY



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Homework is defined as being ‘*any work or activity, which a pupil is asked to do outside of lesson time, either independently or with parents or carers*’.

Aims

- to encourage independent learning
- to reinforce classroom learning
- to extend classroom learning
- to encourage a partnership between home and school in learning

Expectations

- all children will be expected to complete weekly spellings and longer term project homework
- the amount of homework and tasks set will be determined by the age and ability of the child
- the amount of homework and tasks set may be adapted for children with special educational needs
- homework should be completed by the child, with the *support* of parents

Requirements

- **English: Reading**
We expect every child to read their personal reading book at home, every night. Children are expected to share their reading with an adult who will sign their Reading Diary. It is very important that Reading Diaries are in school every day and are kept safely.
- **English: Spelling**
Spellings will be set for children to learn, as soon as they are ready to do so. They will be given weekly on a Thursday.
- **Topic:**
Project homework is given at the start of a term and brought in to school towards the end of the same term. before handing in on the Monday. The homework is based on prior learning.

- **Maths:**
Abacus online games are updated regularly – pupils are expected to complete a minimum of three games per week.
- **EYFS:**
In Reception class, children are provided with personal reading books which they should bring into school daily. On some occasions, there may be an additional task.

Marking

Homework is marked regularly, by a member of staff.

Parental Involvement

We ask parents to support their child with their homework in KS1 and KS2.

If a child is anxious or unsure about homework requirements, they should speak to the class teacher.

Parents can help their child with their homework by:

- setting a regular time for homework
- providing a quiet suitable place for work
- taking an interest in what their child is doing

Homework Club

Homework Club is available for each Key Stage and is supervised by staff. All children from Year 1 – 6 are welcome to attend their respective club.