



Bridgewater Park
Primary School

GROWING AND LEARNING TOGETHER

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Homework Policy

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Homework Policy and Guidance

Aims:

- To assist in raising pupils' achievement and to reinforce skills.
- To develop responsibility and self-motivation plus encouraging pupils to manage their own work and behaviour.
- To encourage a closer partnership between school, pupils and parents.
- To aid the integration of home and school work.
- To provide opportunities for revision, consolidation, completion and practice of work taking place at school.
- To prepare pupils for the transfer to Secondary Education.

Principles:

- Homework will be set on a Monday and completed and returned by the Friday.
- It is important that that pupils understand the responsibilities and roles in undertaking homework.
- Teachers and parents need to be aware of pupils who are not completing homework.
- Class teacher will contact the parent/ carer when a child regularly fails to complete homework tasks. This issue would also be discussed at parent's evenings.
- At Bridgewater Park homework will be based around reading, spellings and basic Maths skills e.g. times tables. **It is expected that every child will read every day for 10-15 minutes. Regular reading is the key to success for all children whatever their reading ability.**
- Research projects linked to Enrichment week will be set
- Teachers will monitor homework on a weekly basis.

The Role of Parents and Carers:

Parents and carers have a vital role in ensuring that homework benefits their children to its maximum potential. Parents and carers should:

- Provide a reasonably suitable environment for children to complete their homework e.g... A peaceful, quiet area.
- Help and encourage their children to complete the homework tasks to the best of their abilities.
- Encourage and praise their children when homework tasks have been completed.

Homework Guidance:

Nursery/ Reception - Up to 10 minutes reading per day and occasional tasks set by the teacher as appropriate.

Year 1 and 2 – 10 minutes reading per day. 5 minutes spellings and times tables practice per day.

Year 3 and 4 - 15 minutes reading per day. 10 minutes spellings and times tables practice per day.

Year 5 and 6 - 3 hours per week (including 15 minutes reading per night - 5 times a week). This will mainly consist of spellings and tables to learn. For Year 6 SATs practice guides will be issued in the Spring term, and tasks from them will be set on a weekly basis.