



HEADLANDS PRIMARY SCHOOL

HOMEWORK POLICY

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History of Changes

September 2023 – Policy written by Darren Smith, Head Teacher

Homework policy

Homework promotes independent knowledge, skills and understanding and by working in partnership with home, we expect parents and carers to support learning and an understanding that learning can take place beyond the classroom. At school, staff will teach the children the learning process to ensure that their child reaches their potential and develops a lifelong love of learning.

This policy has been devised with the latest research evidence available on the effectiveness and impact of homework in the primary school <https://educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/evidence-summaries/teaching-learning-toolkit/homework-primary/>

Aims

Regular reading and developing number fact automaticity at home will support all learning in school.

- Promotes the importance of regular, responsible reading to support all learning
- encourages independence and self-discipline as the children take responsibility for their own learning
- sets standards for life as children become accustomed to working at home, preparing them for their future school career and life beyond
- fosters positive home/ school relationships

We also recognise and celebrate that learning happens outside of school when children attend clubs such as Beavers, Brownies, football and other sport organisations etc. This is encouraged and celebrated.

Types of homework

Reading

We expect children to read **daily**. Reading at home should be a pleasurable experience and valued at all times. We encourage parents/ carers to support the daily reading and to nurture a lifelong love of books. Every family will have a login to Boom Readers to record when they share a book at home. School staff will monitor, celebrate and support participation.

Mathematics/Multiplication tables

To meet national expectations, children are expected to know the following number facts by the end of the following years:

Year group	Requirement, to know by heart
Reception	Automatically recall number bonds up to 5 and some number bonds to 10, including double facts.
By the end of Year 2	2x,5x,10x tables
By the end of Year 4	All table facts and inverse to 12x

In Year 1, children will be given activities to do at home from Number Sense scheme of work. This will correspond to work that is being done in class. From Year 2, children have access to Times Tables Rockstars each week to practice their tables and number facts at home. Children without access to technology at home will receive a sheet of multiplication facts that they need to know and will rehearse these facts regularly so that they have an instant recall. Children will have the process of memorising these facts modelled to them in school so that their time is used effectively at home.

Knowledge organisers

Knowledge organisers are sent home electronically at the start of each term to support discussion with families.

Reasonable adjustments

Homework will be adapted to the needs of the individual.

Year 6- Homework arrangements for Year 6 will respond to the learning needs of the individual child on the run up to SATs. Published study materials will support homework during this time.

Monitoring

Class teachers will monitor reading and maths at home and will support children and families as required.