

# Numeracy Homework Policy

- Homework should generally provide the opportunity to reinforce or practice work already covered in class or to be part of research for a topic or project.
- Children should only be set homework in relation to work in the curriculum and topics being covered which they can complete by themselves or with minimal help. Homework should be differentiated according to the abilities of the child.
- Children should have all the resources they need to do their homework.
- Parents will be informed of the schools expectations of homework via the identification of learning objectives / outcomes.
- Parents will be asked to oversee their child's homework and indicate their involvement by initialling completed work.
- Staff will set homework for children who take holidays in school time to ensure they do not fall behind in their progress and understanding.
- Homework should be satisfying and positive.
- Homework should establish and support the development of study habits that last throughout the whole of their education.
- Homework should develop self-discipline and independence, by providing the children the opportunity to work to deadlines.

## Homework requirements

Children are encouraged to take books home for homework tasks as indicated below. All books taken from school should be treated with respect and returned to school in good condition, by the specified date. Parents/Carers should record if they have helped their child with homework as this can identify if he/she requires more support with concepts in school.

## Other Homework

From time to time children will be requested to carry out research tasks for various subjects or may be asked to complete work at home. Parents are asked to oversee this work and give encouragement to ensure its completion.

If parents are unsure of the stage their child is at – they should seek guidance from their child's teacher or refer to the printed statement included in the child's reading diary to support parents/carers ability to ask pertinent questions.

School Books

It has always been the policy of this school for children to take books home. In recent years we have encouraged the safe keeping of school books in the green Reading Folders (available to purchase from school). We should emphasise how important it is that children should treat these and all books with care.

We ask parents to make sure that all books taken home are kept in the Reading Folders and returned to school each day.

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