

HOMEWORK POLICY

BUXTON INFANT SCHOOL

This policy was reviewed by the Governing Body on 19th March 2025

It will be reviewed March 2027

Signed:

Date:

HOMEWORK POLICY

Definition

Homework is any activity, suggested by the class teacher, to be undertaken by pupils outside normal school hours.

Aims

It is our aim to work in partnership with parents and carers, to support children's learning while ensuring that children have enough time to play and spend time with their families. Homework activities are one way in which we can actively involve parents in their children's learning.

Objectives

- To provide children with activities at home which support and develop learning in school.
- To provide activities to complete at home that are interesting and stimulating for the child.
- To enable parents to be involved in supporting their child's learning first hand.

Content

Homework will comprise of a wide range of activities, some of which should be carried out on a regular basis and others from time to time.

All pupils will be expected to read at home, ideally for a short time (ten minutes) three times each week. Parents/carers are encouraged to write positive comments on their child's reading diary when they have heard them read. Each child is issued with a reward card which is stamped every time they read at home. A small prize is given when a full card is attained. Reading at home includes reading practice of a book already read in school and sharing well know or favourite texts.

Once children have attained an expected level of phonetic ability and are able readers they will be expected to read a previously unseen text at home. Over the course of each term pupils in year one and year two may be asked to complete a maths task which will usually be a game or an investigation. They will also be given some handwriting sheets which parents are encouraged to support.

On occasion, children will be asked to find out some information at home to support learning about a particular project in school or complete an optional task.

Information about the content of the project for each class is shared with parents/carers at the beginning of each new term via our Parent Hub app and the school website. This means that parents/carers can discuss their child's learning with them at home over the course of the term and carry out other supporting activities if they wish to do so.

School will support parents and carers to overcome any barriers to completing homework e.g. child unwilling, lack of access to technology.

Adopted by the governing board of Buxton Infant School on **19th March 2025**