



Chadsmead Primary Academy

Homework Policy

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Learning at home is an essential part of a good education. Regular homework is important as it gives pupils the opportunity to practise at home, the tasks covered in class, and helps the pupils work towards improving important skills. It also helps children and young people to become confident and independent in their learning, which will help them throughout their time at school and in adult life.

Aims

The aims of this policy are to ensure:

- a consistent approach to homework throughout the school.
- that teachers, parents/carers and children have a clear understanding of the expectations for homework.
- that teachers, parents/carers and children are fully aware of the role they play with regard to homework.

The purpose of homework

By setting regular homework for the pupils at Chadsmead we aim to:

- work in partnership with parents and carers, pursuing the aims of the school and the development of pupils
- consolidate and reinforce skills and understanding, particularly in English and maths
- encourage pupils as they get older to develop the confidence and self-discipline needed to study on their own, and prepare them for the requirements of high school.

The role of the school

- To provide parents and carers with a clear policy regarding homework.
- To ensure this policy is fully and consistently followed.
- To provide support for parents and carers with information about homework.

What homework is given?

Reading

All children at Chadsmead have a home reading book to take home at an appropriate level matched to their reading ability.

Children are expected to read daily at home and record their reading in the reading diary.

Children have access to the school's library books and are encouraged to read these at home for pleasure in addition to their home reading book.

Times Tables

The expectation is that by the end of Year 4, children know the 12x12 times tables and their corresponding division facts. Therefore, children will receive homework that supports the school learning and be tested weekly. Children in Years 5 & 6 will consolidate previous learning and show proficiency in application of the skill.

Spelling

Children will receive words to learn at home taken from the National Curriculum. As they progress through school, they may be given an exercise applying the words in context (e.g. write the words in a sentence). The children will be tested on the words given.

English writing and maths

Children in Years R - 5 receive alternate Maths/English homework. This will typically take from 15 minutes to 1 hour with the expectation rising as children progress through school.

Year 6 children will receive Maths and English homework weekly. This will typically take from 30-60 minutes per subject.

Sometimes this homework may be an online exercise on a recommended website or App. This homework will be reviewed by the teacher.

Creative homework

As children come to a new theme they will be given a creative homework, which will be displayed for them to show off! Children have shown how much they love this!

Homework books

Children will be expected to complete homework neatly in their homework book. They will receive praise and rewards for trying hard with their homework.

Homework days

Homework will be given out on Thursday and collected in on Tuesday.