

Burton Leonard Church of England (VC) Primary School



Homework Policy

Rationale

- Homework can support the links between home and school, providing parents with opportunities both to support their children as they learn and to become more closely involved in that process.
- Homework can effectively extend the time that children spend on learning, providing them with opportunities to reach higher levels of attainment and make greater progress.
- Homework can enhance and extend children's learning, particularly by developing their study skills and independence.
- Homework can support the attitude that learning is not confined to the classroom but that it is an open-ended and life-long activity.
- Homework can consolidate and reinforce skills and understanding, particularly in English and Maths.

Through this policy we aim to:

- Ensure consistency of approach throughout the school
- Ensure progression towards independence and individual responsibility
- Ensure parents/guardians have a clear understanding about expectations from themselves and the pupil
- Extend and support the learning experience via reinforcement and revision
- Provide opportunities for parents and pupils to work together to enjoy learning experiences
- Encourage children to develop long term strategies for future needs

- At Year 6, to prepare children for secondary transfer

The type and amount of Homework

- The main focus of homework and home activities will be on English and Maths.
- Regular reading to and with parents and carers is vital; all primary school age children should either read to their parents or carers or listen to them reading for between 10 to 20 minutes a day. Newspapers, magazines, library books and suitable comics, etc. can be used to promote reading for pleasure.
- Reading comprehension and maths tasks are set for KS2 children
- Spelling and times table challenges will be set weekly.
- In addition to these regular activities, children will be given learning log research based homework and children may present their learning in different styles homework, eg, powerpoint presentation, model making, project based, diary entries, encouraging liaison with family learning.

A guide to time allocation for home activities:

	Reading – every night	Other home activities
Reception	10 minutes	10 minutes
Years 1 & 2	10 – 20 minutes	15-20 minutes
Years 3 & 4	15 – 20 minutes	40-60 minutes
Years 5 & 6	20 minutes	60 -120 minutes

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