

Cultercullen



School

Homework Policy

Article 29 (goals of education)

Education must develop every child's personality, talents and abilities to the full. It must encourage the child's respect for human rights, as well as respect for their parents, their own and other cultures, and the environment.

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Rationale

The purpose of our Cultercullen homework policy is to communicate the ideas supported by our pupils, staff and parents/carers, showing how it will support the aims of our school:

At Cultercullen Primary we work together to provide a safe and stimulating place for everyone to become a Successful Learner.

We will deliver a balanced, collaboratively planned curriculum to ensure that we have Effective Contributors.

We encourage children to achieve their best and try new experiences so that they become Confident Individuals.

We work together to keep improving the school to ensure that our pupils are Responsible Citizens.

As a community we value the learning that takes place outside of school across a range of situations including; outdoor play, attending clubs, building friendships and developing skills for learning life and work. We encourage pupils to share these successes with us at our assemblies.

Partnership Working

For homework to have a positive impact on learning all parties must work together to ensure it is a successful learning experience. The staff will ensure that the homework given is both relevant and meaningful to the pupils. Staff will expect high quality homework to be submitted on time. Parents/Carers should support the pupils in tasks, and should communicate any difficulties or concerns with the class teacher. If a parent does not wish their child to complete a homework task the staff ask that this is communicated to them by writing it in their homework diary. Pupils should be encouraged to complete the homework to the best of their ability and with a sense of pride.

Pupils and parents/carers may wish to consider the following when completing homework tasks:

- Do I have a place to work without any distractions?
- What homework do I have this week and when will I complete it?
- As parents/carers and children, can we work on this together?
- What do I need to complete this homework neatly?
- Who can I show my homework to once it is complete?

In line with our Behaviour Policy pupils receive Class Dojo points for handing in homework on time. If they do not, points are deducted, unless staff receive information from parents/carers as to why the homework was not handed in. Parents/carers will be notified if their child does not hand in their homework three times during the course of a term.

Homework

Reading, spelling and maths homework will be given on a weekly basis. Outlined below is a guide of what will typically be allocated each week at each stage of the primary school, we will endeavour to provide variety throughout the session within these contexts. However, our curriculum is built to match the needs and abilities of each individual, therefore we will adapt our outline when required.

Stage	Homework
Primary 1	Reading, Education City, Sound Book Spelling and Numicon (later in the session)
Primary 2	Reading, Education City, Spelling/Phonics
Primary 3	Reading, Education City, Spelling/Phonics
Primary 4	Reading, Education City, Spelling/Phonics
Primary 5	Accelerated Reader, Spelling, Grammar, Maths worksheet or Education City task.
Primary 6	Accelerated Reader, Spelling, Grammar, Maths worksheet or Education City task.
Primary 7	Accelerated Reader, Spelling, Grammar, Maths worksheet or Education City task.

Each child will get a diary outlining their weekly tasks. If parents/carers or pupils have any questions regarding the homework please get in touch with their teacher by phone, email or write in your child's diary.

Holiday Homework

In conjunction with our Parent Council we have also have an established routine for holiday homework. The homework is offered to all families during the October, Easter and Summer holidays, but it is optional. This homework can also be used at other times in the session.

Reading for Enjoyment

All children will have an opportunity to visit our school library and take books home. Younger children may need parents to support them in reading these books.