



# Carlton Miniott Community School

## Homework Policy

### Rationale

Homework should consolidate and reinforce skills and understanding developed at school and involve parents in their children's learning. It should be manageable for parents, children and teachers. It should be flexible to enable children to pursue other valuable after school activities.

### Aims

- to ensure consistency of approach throughout the school
- to ensure progression towards independence and individual responsibility
- to extend and support the learning experience offered to pupils
- to provide opportunities for parents, pupils and school to work in partnership
- at year 6, to provide pupils for secondary transfer

### Guidelines for parents

1. Show an interest in what your child is doing.
2. Encourage and support your child.
3. Sign your child's reading diary at least 3 times a week in KS1.
4. Sign your child's planner at Key stage 2 and add appropriate comments at least 3 times a week.
5. Encourage your child to give homework in on time.
6. Provide an appropriate environment in which your child can work.
7. Level of support – KS1 – Help your child when appropriate  
KS2 – Encourage independence where possible

### Type and Amount of Homework

<b>Reception</b>	Daily sharing of a book	
<b>Year 1</b>	daily reading	other work <i>Spellings, mental recall facts</i>
<b>Year 2</b>	daily reading	10 minutes other work <i>spellings, number activities</i>

At Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 homework activities will be given with written instructions from the class teacher.

Parents can use the Reading Diary as a means of communication with school.

At Y2 occasional other homework will be given

At Y1 and Y2 Spellings will be given weekly for return on the following week.

## **KS2**

### **Class 3**

15 minutes daily reading  
Weekly spelling test  
Learning multiplication tables and 'Learn its.'  
1 piece of homework per week linked to work being done in the classroom

### **Class 4**

15 minutes minimum daily reading  
Weekly spellings  
Learn multiplication tables  
1 piece of homework per week linked to work being done in the classroom

### **Class 5**

20 minutes minimum daily reading  
Weekly spelling test  
Reinforce multiplication tables  
1 piece of homework each week, maths, English or an activity linked to work being done in the classroom.

### **Year 6**

20 minutes minimum daily reading  
Weekly spelling test  
Reinforce multiplication tables and mental strategies for regular tests  
1 piece of homework each week, maths, English or an activity linked to work being done in the classroom

Children in class 6 may be asked to undertake additional homework activities as required in preparation for SATs tests in May and before they move onto their secondary School.

Each KS2 child will have a planner and this **must** be in school every day.

Homework will be given out each Friday and must be returned the following Thursday.  
If homework set has not been understood then the class teacher should be contacted before the due in date for extra clarification.

### **Homework Club**

Homework club will be held on a Friday night for invited children who find working at home difficult.

(This policy is available in other formats)

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