

# Homework

**The main purpose of homework is to keep parents aware of the standards of work their children are producing, to foster a link between home and school and to encourage parents to take an active interest in their children's learning.**



## Suggestions for Additional activities

PI-3

- Alphabet activities & songs
- Letter knowledge i.e. I spy .....
- Rhyming games
- Nursery rhymes
- Memory games i.e. Kim's name
- Sharing stories (Traditional Tales)
- Counting, sequencing etc
- Practising letter formation i.e. own name
- Number stories
- Building up sentences
- Sequencing pictures and stories
- Practising tables (P3)
- Visiting the local library to encourage a reading habit

## Suggestions for Additional activities

P4-7

- Researching a topic
- Discussing the news
- Practising handwriting
- Number facts
- Practising tables
- Visiting the local library to encourage a reading habit
- With parental permission access to internet to research topics

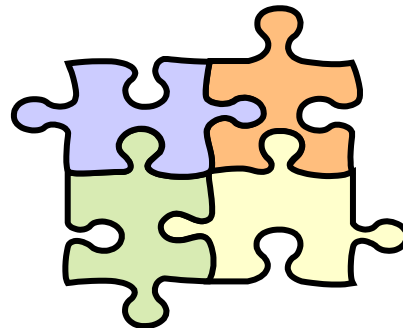


## General Principles

- Homework is regular and varied, consisting of reading, language, number and project work.
- Homework is reinforcement of what has already been taught in class.
- Homework will be sent home during week days.
- Occasionally some aspects of homework may be sent home over the weekend.
- It is the parent/carer's role to make sure homework is completed and to an appropriate standard.
- Homework must be signed by the parent/carer.
- Homework should not be excessive nor take an inordinate amount of time.
- Parents should contact the school should a child become frustrated or unclear about his/her homework or put a note in the homework diary.
- Occasionally family circumstances can prevent homework being completed-a letter to class teacher in these cases would suffice.

## P1-3

- Reading is sent home regularly. Diaries offer an opportunity for parents to comment.
- Number and project work is sent home when appropriate to reinforce class work.
- Literacy homework will be sent home regularly consisting of letter knowledge, grammar and spelling.
- Homework may consist of games and activities to support learning.



## P4-7

- Reading is sent home regularly to be shared with parents.
- Number and project work is sent home when appropriate to reinforce class work.
- Spelling homework supports the structured spelling policy in school.



### Long term absence from school

**Should children be absent from school, some revision may be sent home if it is felt necessary by staff.  
It is not school policy to provide homework for pupils who are on a family holiday within term time,**