

**Braehead School
Homework Policy
May 2014**



At Braehead School we view education as partnership between home and school and believe that both should work together for the benefit of the children in our care. This policy was developed in consultation with staff, parents and pupils. It is subject to regular review to ensure that we continue to meet the needs of our school community.

Aims

Through this policy we aim to:

- Share learning with parents/ carers
- Involve parents / carers in their child's learning
- Practise and consolidate work done in class
- Ensure parents are clear about what their child is expected to do
- Encourage children to develop responsibility, confidence and self-discipline needed to study independently

Parents should be reminded that, even if no homework is set, there is always the need for revision of times tables, number bonds, reading and spelling.

The role of class teachers

- To provide clear, purposeful and relevant tasks for every child in their class
- To offer clear guidance of when homework is to be handed in
- To ensure that homework is set consistently and supports the learning from the class
- To mark and provide feedback to pupils on completion of tasks
- To inform parents when pupils are not completing their homework

The role of parents/carers

- To sign homework tasks once completed
- To support their child's learning by ensuring that they engage in homework tasks
- To support their child by talking about the homework task but not directly completing it for them

The role of pupils

- To listen in class for instructions
- To do the homework to the best of their ability and hand in on time
- Ask for help if you need it

Homework Club

Teaching staff will run a Homework Club every Wednesday during lunch time - this is open for all children. If homework is consistently not handed in we will ask these pupils to attend homework club to try to encourage them to do it at home. We would still ask that pupils share their homework with parents and get it signed.

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Whole School Homework Task

Starting from August we will issue a whole school homework task once per month.

Nursery	We are in the process of creating activity bags that the children can take home to share - there will be no recommended time constraint for this - just for fun to share
<p>Primary 1, 2 and 3</p> <p>Homework should not take in excess of 1 ½ hours per week</p>	<p>Phonics/Spelling P1 - Phonic Sheets will be given on a weekly basis to practise the writing of the taught phonics and actions to match Phonic Flashcard - 1 or 2 new phonics per week will be taught and the flashcards can be used to practise visual recognition at home Common Words - these are sent home for children to practise reading P2 & P3 - Common words will be sent home weekly to be learnt for a weekly check-up.</p> <p>Reading P1 - Word Boxes - new words will be sent home to practise as they progress P2 & P3 - Regular reading tasks will be given along with follow up tasks related to the text</p> <p>Maths Maths activities will be given on a weekly basis which reinforce and consolidate work done in class. Regular practise of number bonds will be expected.</p> <p>Things we should know - from time to time An open ended activity which requires children to find out some interesting facts about a topic</p>
<p>P4 - P7</p> <p>Homework should not take in excess of 2 hours per week</p>	<p>Spelling A set of words will be given weekly for pupils to learn along with a linked spelling task.</p> <p>Reading Regular weekly reading tasks will be given along with follow up tasks related to the text</p> <p>Maths Maths activities will be given on a weekly basis which reinforce and consolidate work done in class. Regular practice of times tables and or number bonds will be expected.</p> <p>Other curricular task for time to time An activity based on Health, Science or Topic which follows on from class work.</p>

Other activities included from time to time	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Preparing a short talk to give to the class or assembly2. Research work on class topic3. Personal Project4. Art