



## Tollbrae Primary School Homework Offer

*We believe that children benefit from reinforcement of learning at home and that completing homework encourages pupils to further develop independence and study skills. We also recognise that parents have differing views on homework and so the completion of homework tasks at Tollbrae is optional.*

### Aims

- To provide a consistent approach to homework from P1 – 7.
- To offer homework activities which reinforce and consolidate class work.
- To offer homework activities that will develop children's independence and study skills.
- To offer homework activities that are relevant and manageable within a busy family life.
- To respect each parent's decision on whether or not homework is completed.

### Our Homework Offer

Each class teacher will choose the most appropriate day in the week to give out homework to their own class. This day will be communicated to parents in the Learning Journey that will be sent home each term.

Although tasks and activities will vary according to age and stage, all children will be given three areas of homework to complete each week.

### Reading practice

Younger children will be given a reading book or extract to read at home. They would usually be encouraged to read their book with or to a parent. If no other homework is completed, we believe that this activity will be most beneficial to your child's progress and achievement.

Older pupils will be given a text to read and some questions to answer which will encourage them to think about what they have read.

### Spelling/Phonic practice

All children will be given a list of spelling words and some activities linked to the learning that is going on in the class.

### Maths/Numeracy practice

All children will be given a maths or numeracy activity linked to current learning going on in the class or to recap on previous learning.

### Other Curriculum Areas

From time to time, children may be encouraged to complete tasks and activities linked to other curricular areas or to participate in competitions and initiatives from home. These will be shared with pupils and parents as and when they come up.

### Parents as Partners

At Tollbrae, the completion of homework is optional and completed tasks do not need to be handed in to the class teacher. Parents can choose to check over homework themselves or, if they wish, send completed homework tasks into school to share with the teacher.

We recognise that families are busy with lots of other commitments during the week. Children and parents can choose the times that suit them best for completing homework tasks. We would recommend that tasks are completed within seven days of issue to ensure that they are relevant and reflect the learning going on in class at that time.

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