



## **TUNBURY PRIMARY SCHOOL**

### **Homework Policy**

#### **Aims**

By setting homework Tunbury Primary School:

- Provides opportunities for independent work
- Provides opportunities to consolidate or extend learning
- Provides opportunities for home school links
- Prepares children for future lessons
- Provides opportunities to practise skills
- Provides opportunities to develop thinking skills

#### **Foundation Stage**

**Wow Stars:** Children in the Foundation Stage will be given opportunities to record learning experiences from home in their class via the 'Wow' stars displayed in each class. Class teachers may give suggestions for particular 'wow' experiences at times. Children can bring in 'wow' stars as regularly as they wish.

**Reading:** Children will have a reading book to bring home and we encourage parents to read to, read with and share stories with their child.

**Special Educational Needs:** Class Teachers will give suggestions and ideas of specific activities to support the special needs of individual children throughout the academic year.

**Mathletics:** Class Teachers will set a simple revision task on Mathletics each week for the students to work through at home.

#### **Key Stage One**

**Reading:** Children in Years One and Two will have a school reading book to bring home. Children are encouraged to make independent choices of book from an appropriate teacher selection. Children are required to read daily for 10-15 minutes.

**Spellings:** For spellings, the children in year 1 will practise writing two dictated sentences each week. The sentences that teachers send home will contain the key phonemes explored in class. Children in year 2 will have weekly spellings to learn. The spellings are based on the phonics and spelling patterns the children are learning in class. Children will have one week in which to learn their spellings.

**Brainbuilders:** Children in years one and two will have a termly (Kent term) Brainbuilder task. The task will be based around all curriculum subjects. Children can choose how to present their work including story writing, detailing facts and information, pictures and photographs. The work is expected to be of a good quality and presented to a high standard. Children will have one term (approximately 6 weeks) to complete their task.

**Mathletics:** Class Teachers will set three simple revision task on Mathletics each week for the students to work through at home.

## **Key Stage Two – Years 3 and 4**

**Reading:** Children will have a school reading book to bring home. Children are encouraged to make independent choices of book from an appropriate teacher selection. Children are required to read daily for 15-20 minutes.

**Phonics/Spellings:** Children will be given an appropriate phonics or spelling based activity weekly. Children are required to spend 20 minutes weekly on this activity. Children will have one week to complete the activity or learn the spellings.

**Times Table Practise:** Children are required to spend 10 minutes daily practising and learning times table facts.

**Brainbuilders:** Children will have a termly (Kent term) Brainbuilder task. The task will be based around all curriculum subjects. Children can choose how to present their work including story writing, detailing facts and information, pictures and photographs. The work is expected to be of a good quality and presented to a high standard. Children will have one term (approximately 6 weeks) to complete their task.

**Mathletics:** Class Teachers will set three revision task on Mathletics each week for the students to work through at home.

## **Key Stage Two – Years 5 and 6**

**Reading:** Children will have a school reading book to bring home. Children are encouraged to make independent choices of book from an appropriate teacher selection. Children are required to read daily for 15-20 minutes.

**Spellings:** Children will be given weekly spellings to practise and learn. Children are required to spend 20 minutes weekly on this activity. Children will have one week to learn spellings.

**Literacy:** Children will be given a literacy activity weekly. Children are required to spend 30 minutes weekly on this activity. Children will be given a minimum of two evenings to complete the activity.

**Mathematics:** Children will be given a maths activity weekly. Children are required to spend 30 minutes weekly on this activity. Children will be given a minimum of two evenings to complete the activity. The activities set may come in the form of written or online Mathletics tasks.

**Times Table Practise:** Children are required to spend 10 minutes daily practising and learning times table facts.

**Brainbuilders:** Children will have a termly (Kent term) Brainbuilder task. The task will be based around all curriculum subjects. Children can choose how to present their work including story writing, detailing facts and information, pictures and photographs. The work is expected to be of a good quality and presented to a high standard. Children will have one term (approximately 6 weeks) to complete their task.

## **Homework Diaries**

All children from Year Two through to Year Six will use a homework diary, provided by the school, to record the set work and the completion date. The diary can also be used by home and school as a means of communication.

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