



CLANDON C of E SCHOOL

A caring community where all can THRIVE

HOME LEARNING POLICY

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Introduction

At Clandon Church of England Primary School we offer a rich and varied curriculum, designed to both broaden children's experiences and enhance their academic achievement. We recognise however, that school is not the only place where children can learn and that the experiences children get at home, through clubs and family outings is also of the utmost value to their development as well rounded young citizens. For this reason our home learning programme is designed to enhance children's learning experiences, rather than encroach on family time.

Purpose of Home Learning

- To provide an opportunity for parents to become involved in the academic development of their child
- To consolidate and reinforce skills and understanding, particularly with basic skills and the creative curriculum
- To exploit resources for learning, of all kinds, at home
- To provide an enjoyable and purposeful supplement to class work
- To extend school learning, for example through additional reading
- To encourage pupils as they get older to develop the confidence and self-discipline needed to study independently

The role of parents in supporting pupils

Parents should:

- Provide a suitable place and time to support the children in their learning
- Make it clear to their children that they value learning and support the school
- Encourage and praise their children during learning activities
- Inform teachers of any concerns they have
- Take good care of resources lent by the school and ensure they are returned at the appropriate time.
- Aim to read with their child every night (this could be parent reading to child)

Pupils with Special Educational Needs

Pupils with special educational needs should be set home learning that reflects their ability. Home learning activities related to practising basic skills must be differentiated by the teacher according to the child's ability. The task explanations must be clear and appropriately communicated to the SEND children to ensure they fully comprehend the activity.

Home Learning Club

A Home Learning Club will be available for pupils from Years 3 – 6 at lunch time on Wednesday to support the children in completing their home learning activities. Home Learning Club is primarily to support those who do not regularly complete

their home learning, find it hard to find a quiet place to work at home or have problems finding resources.

Home Learning in Reception and Year 1

Reading – 10 minutes daily reading with an adult. Parents/carers should ask children questions about characters, setting and plot to check their understanding during reading and comment in the child's reading record.

Phonics – Phonics cards to be practised at home

Home Learning in Year 2

Reading – 10 minutes daily reading with an adult. Parents/carers should ask children questions about characters, setting and plot to check their understanding during reading and comment in the child's reading record.

Spelling and Mental Maths– Children should practice their weekly spelling and mental maths focus to help reinforce their learning in school

Home Learning in Years 3 and 4

Reading – 15 minutes daily either with an adult or independently when the child is able to do so. Parents/carer should listen to their children read and ask them questions about the book. Children should be encouraged to read across a wide range of genres, including newspapers, journals and encyclopaedias. Either parent/carer or child can comment in the reading record book.

Home Learning Activity – A 20 minute activity. The activity will be set each Wednesday to be completed over the weekend and returned on Tuesday.

Home Learning in Years 5 and 6

Reading – 15 minutes daily either with an adult or independently when the child is able to do so. Parents/carer should ask them questions about the book. Children should be encouraged to read across a wide range of genres, including newspapers, journals and encyclopaedias. Either parent/carer or child can comment in the reading record book.

Home Learning Activity – Children in Years 5 and 6 should spend a bit longer on each activities – upto 40 minutes. The activity will be set each Wednesday to be completed over the weekend and returned on Tuesday. Children will also receive a weekly maths challenge which should also be returned each Tuesday.