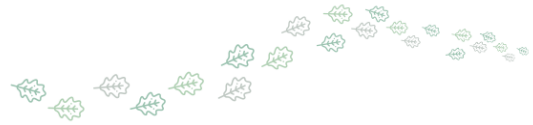


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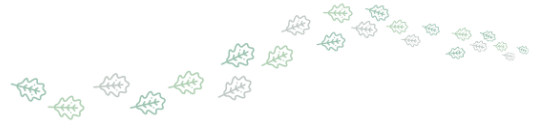
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Rationale

We believe that homework supports, extends and consolidates the learning covered in the classroom while supporting children to develop self-discipline, independence and the ability to take responsibility for their own learning.

Introduction

We aim to provide an exciting and enriched curriculum at Styal with a variety of extra-curricular opportunities on offer. All education during school hours is free. We do not charge for any activity undertaken as part of the National Curriculum.

This policy aims to:

- Raise achievement;
- Ensure a consistency of approach throughout the school;
- Ensure teachers, parents and carers have a clear understanding about expectations of themselves and pupils

The main purpose of homework is:

- to encourage pupils to develop the skill, confidence and motivation to study independently at home effectively.
- to consolidate and reinforce the skills and understanding developed at school.
- to extend school learning through activities such as additional reading and research.
- to develop and sustain the involvement of parents in the management of their child's learning and to keep them informed about the work and progress their child is achieving.

Homework at Styal Primary School – Key Principles.

- The amount and difficulty of homework is tailored according to the child's age and ability.
- Sufficient time is allowed for the completion of homework to allow for a healthy home/school work balance.
- As the children progress through the school, the amount of homework may increase.

The nature and content of homework set, and the amount of time needed to complete homework will vary from year to year and from child to child. Senior leaders have produced a guide which can be found below, outlining what parents of children in each class can expect to be set for homework.

How you can help your child with their homework:

Below is a list of ways that you as a parent can show your child that you value their homework and the time and effort spent completing it.

You can show you value your child's homework by:

- providing a suitable place in which your child can do their homework, preferably with an adult to discuss, encourage and support;
- making it clear to your child that you value homework and support the school in explaining how it can help learning;
- encouraging your child and praising them when they have completed work set;
- ensuring work is completed on time;
- checking your child spends a suitable amount of time on homework.
- Sign the reading record when you have heard your child read

Additionally, you can support your child's development by:

- visits to libraries, museums etc;
- cooking with them;
- taking your child swimming;
- playing games, e.g. board games, cards, ball games;
- watching informative TV programmes together;
- providing opportunities for craft activities, e.g. cutting, sticking, sewing, painting etc;
- gardening and growing plants;
- using the internet to research something with your child (following guidelines for safe internet use);
- Talking to your child about schoolwork, their day, what they have been learning about.

What happens when homework is not completed?

At Styal, we want to prepare our children for the next phase in their education and so we ask our KS2 children to complete their set homework, which is reviewed by their teacher, weekly.

We offer a homework club once a week in KS2 where children have space and equipment to complete their set homework. Children in KS2 who do **not** complete their set homework, will be asked to do so in their own time at lunchtime. In addition, Year 5/6, if 3 pieces of homework are not handed in, children will lose 5 minutes of their lunch time.

***This policy was reviewed by the Headteacher in consultation with staff and
Governors in October 2023.***

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