

Policy and Procedure Cross Gates Primary School

Homework Policy

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The main purpose of homework is to develop a partnership with parents and carers and to involve you actively in your children's learning. This will allow the children to develop the fundamental skills which underpin the National Curriculum.

The activities that the children are involved in, such as reading and learning spellings, will provide an important opportunity for them to talk about what they are learning and to practise key skills in a supportive environment.

As children get older, homework provides an opportunity for children to develop the skills of independent learning, and this will increasingly become the main purpose. By the time children reach Year 6 their homework programme will cover a wide range of tasks and curriculum content.

Our Homework aims:

- To develop an effective partnership between the school and parents;
- Consolidate and reinforce skills and understanding, particularly in English and maths;
- Exploit resources for learning, of all kinds, at home;
- Encourage pupils to develop the confidence and self-discipline needed to study on their own.

Teachers' role:

- Homework activities are planned by the class teacher in accordance with the school policy.
- Activities are purposeful and support the work going on in school.
- It is monitored and celebrated.

Parents' role:

- Parents support their child, encouraging them to do their homework well and to work as independently as possible.
- Ensure that their child practises words from their spelling lists, reads daily for 10 to 20 minutes and completes online learning tasks such as TTRock Stars and Mathletics programmes to support learning.

Child's role:

- Completes the homework well and to a good standard.
- Ask parents for support if required.
- Hand in the homework on time.

Ask the teacher for help if they are unsure of a task, before the due date.	
Current DfE guidelines recommend the following periods of time be spent on homework over a period of one week;	
KS1	1 hour per week
LKS2	1.5 hours per week
UKS2	30 minutes per day
If you are required to print your child's homework and do not have access to a printer, please email it to admin@crossgates.leeds.sch.uk (remember to include the word Homework and your child's name in the subject line.)	