



Mendip Edge Federation

Homework Policy

RATIONALE

Homework provides an opportunity for all pupils to develop the skills, confidence and motivation needed for effective and independent study. It is an extension of the pupils' learning in school and helps to consolidate and reinforce the skills and understanding developed within lessons, as well as providing the opportunity for the pupils' to follow their own interests and capitalise on their own strengths in order to broaden their learning experiences.

AIMS

- To ensure that all homework set is age appropriate and recognises each individual pupil's learning needs.
- To ensure that homework is an integral part of the curriculum.
- To engage parents in aspects of their children's work.
- To encourage pupils to take responsibility for their own learning and, wherever possible, have an element of choice as to how to present work done at home and thus encourage creativity.
- To ensure a whole school consistent approach to homework.
- To develop skills, persistence and perseverance that will stand them in good stead in later life.

RESPONSIBILITIES

School

- To ensure that homework is an integral part of curriculum planning and is appropriate to the teaching and learning in class.
- To ensure that the homework set is accessible and appropriate for individual pupils in their class.
- To ensure that pupils receive feedback on their homework: this could be written or verbal.
- To make use of the on line platforms where applicable.
- To ensure pupils have adequate time to complete the homework.
- To ensure pupils and parents/carers are aware of how long each piece of homework should take.
- To give support and advice where necessary to pupils who are experiencing difficulty with the completion of homework.
- To ensure all parents are aware of any issues with homework.

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Pupil

- To ensure he or she understands the homework set
- To complete the homework to the best of his or her ability by the due date, as agreed in the Home School Agreement.

Parents/Carers

- To play an active part in talking to their child about his or her homework and to offer help and encouragement where necessary and appropriate.
- To ensure their child completes homework tasks to the best of his or her ability and brings it to school on the correct day, as outlined in the Home School Agreement
- To ensure their child spends the appropriate length of time on a piece of work. They can also comment on their child's homework in the Student Planner, if appropriate.
- To communicate via the Student Planner/Reading Record so that the school are aware of any problems the child may be experiencing with homework.