



BERSTED GREEN PRIMARY SCHOOL

Homework Policy

School Improvement priorities: *Achieve; Care; Enrich, Enliven and value Enterprise.*

Aim to:

Value and support pupils to, in their day to day lives and learning, demonstrate our core values:
Resilience - Compassion - Responsibility - Respect - Honesty - Perseverance - Collaboration - Communication - Achievement - Flexibility - Creativity - Courage

- enable our pupils to be healthy, stay safe, enjoy and achieve in their learning, make a positive contribution towards achieving economic well-being and being able to make choices about their employment in the future.
- Pupils will make secure progress through appropriate expectations in an interesting, calm and positive learning environment.
- Pupils will behave appropriately and be safe and confident in a range of social and educational settings and situations.

The principles and purpose of the policy are to:

- Raise pupils' self-esteem;
- Promote/develop empathy and respect for self and others;
- Develop a sense of self-discipline and an acceptance of responsibility for their own actions;
- Develop an awareness of and adherence to appropriate behaviour;
- Encourage pupils to value the school environment and its routines;
- Ensure pupils are treated fairly;
- Empower staff to request homework from everyone;
- Recognise positive behaviour;
- Ensure the policy is consistently implemented across the school;
- Ensure the policy is monitored and evaluated;
- Ensure the rights and responsibilities of all members of the school community;
- Ensure pupils make the progress they are capable of.

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[Research by the Education Endowment Foundation](#) shows that homework is proven to be effective in supporting pupils with their learning and progress.

The emphasis of homework activities is on the development of literacy and numeracy. All children will be given tasks to undertake at home and we ask that they are supported with these. The tasks will grow as children are able to work more independently and also as they move through the school so that they are prepared for secondary school expectations.

We feel, and research supports, that hearing children read regularly impacts on them making the best progress. For this reason, **we ask that all children are heard to read at home at least 4 times a week.**

Year Group	Approximate Time Allocation	Activities
Reception	5-10 minutes per day	Children are encouraged to share books. Children also take home a library book each week and will have sounds to practice to support the development of their reading. An occasional task will also be set to complete at home.
Year 1	1 hour per week	Regular reading (at least 4 times per week) Spellings practice Weekly maths homework linked to classroom learning
Year 2	1 hour per week	Regular reading (at least 4 times per week) Spellings practice Times Tables Rock Stars (TTRS) to practice 2, 5 and 10 times tables
Years 3 and 4	1.5 hours per week	Regular reading (at least 4 times per week) Spellings practice *Times Tables Rock Stars (TTRS) to practice times tables Weekly maths homework linked to classroom learning Topic linked tasks
Years 5 and 6**	an average of 30 minutes per day in preparation for secondary school expectations	Regular reading (at least 4 times per week) Spellings practice Weekly maths homework linked to classroom learning Weekly grammar homework Research tasks linked to topics will also be set (usually over school holidays) In the lead up to the SATs assessments, revision tasks will be set to support children and help with their revision.

* Y4 have a times table assessment in the summer term so need to practice all of their times tables regularly. Times tables represent a big part of the whole maths curriculum.

** Children are preparing for transition to secondary school where homework is set in most lessons and children are expected to complete homework each evening.

The school runs a homework club to give children the opportunity to complete homework in school. If there are any difficulties in completing homework, please talk to the class teacher.