

WISBOROUGH GREEN PRIMARY SCHOOL



HOME LEARNING GUIDANCE

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At Wisborough Green Primary School we believe that, in order for Home Learning to be effective, its purpose should be clear. Research (*EEF Teaching & Learning Toolkit, Sept. 2022*) shows that home learning is most effective when it provides opportunities to:

- develop fluency and confidence (through reading or practising numbers facts and spellings)
- or develop inquiry skills (through work that is linked to current classwork).

Although the impact of homework is modest, there is evidence that short focussed tasks that help to consolidate learning can be effective in improving children's attainment, particularly where parents or carers are engaged in their child's learning.

Homework for Years 2 to 6 will be provided via Google Classroom and will be uploaded weekly. Year 1 will be provided with a Home Learning Book which is returned to school each week.

All home learning activities will be linked to current targets and ongoing Assessment for Learning in the following areas: -

Spellings This will either involve activities related to the spelling pattern being taught in class each week or personalised to the needs of an individual child. Their understanding will be assessed and updated regularly.

Maths This will include learning of key facts such as counting skills, number bonds, fact families, times tables and other 'Learn Its'. Children in Year 1 will have access to NumBots and Years 2 to 6 will use Times Tables Rock Stars (TTRS).

Reading We aim to foster a lifelong love of books by regularly reading with and to all the children. Children from Reception to Year 4 will be provided with Reading Diaries, where staff, parents, carers and volunteers are encouraged to record feedback for reading. Parents of younger children may also discuss texts using the questions provided in their phonics books.

Wider Curriculum Further home learning opportunities may occasionally be provided in relation to science or an area of the wider curriculum. These activities will encourage children to develop their inquiry skills and will relate to current learning.

It is suggested that children spend the following time on the above activities:

Class	Spellings	Maths	Reading
Reception	Daily reading; practice of key words and sounds 5-10 mins Access to NumBots is provided in the summer term		
Year 1	Home Learning Books		
	At least 10 minutes per week	At least 10 minutes per week	Daily reading/phonics 5-10 mins
Year 2	At least 15 minutes per week	3 x 10 mins per week	Daily reading/phonics 5-10 mins
Years 3 & 4	At least 20 minutes per week	5 x 10 mins per week	Daily reading at least 20 mins
Year 5	At least 30 minutes per week	5 x 10 mins per week Additional tasks if provided	Daily reading at least 20 mins
Year 6	At least 30 minutes per week	5 x 10 mins per week Additional tasks if provided	Daily reading at least 20 mins
SATs preparation Spring/Summer term	Grammar task if provided		Comprehension activity if provided
	Grammar revision booklet	Maths revision booklet	Reading revision booklet
In addition to the above home learning activities, weekly consolidation activities (including Science) will be given as required.			

To encourage independent learning, additional self-chosen activities may include:

- Research or challenges inspired by the class learning focus or key text
- Personalised activities to support learning and reinforce concepts taught in school where appropriate
- Self-initiated exploration where children choose to follow their own talents and interests to celebrate with class and school.

Years 1 to 4

We strongly encourage all parents and carers to work in partnership with us to help their child make the best progress. However, we are aware that many of our families participate in a wide range of activities beyond school and children may not always have time to complete these tasks. If this is the case, we ask that every effort is made to prioritise daily reading.

Upper Key Stage Two (Years 5 and 6)

In preparation for Secondary School, children will be asked to finish any uncompleted homework in their own time (break/lunch).

Year 6

In the Summer term, Year 6 will be assigned home learning tasks throughout the week on Google Classroom to support independence, as well develop organisational and time management skills, in preparation for Secondary School.