



# ST STEPHEN'S CEVA PRIMARY SCHOOL, BATH

## HOMEWORK POLICY

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## **1 WHY HOMEWORK?**

We believe that all children benefit from regular independent learning away from the classroom. Many parents appreciate this opportunity to keep in touch with the work their child is doing at school.

We value this extension of school as a means of enhancing children's learning and the help this provides in developing self-discipline. Homework provides the opportunity to reinforce, enrich and extend learning.

## **2 WHAT COUNTS AS HOMEWORK?**

A wide variety of activities can be set, ranging from reading; written exercises, numeracy, projects, background reading, personal research to library and museum work.

Some homework activities, including longer projects require a number of homework sessions to complete.

## **3 WHAT WILL YOUR TEACHER DO?**

At the beginning of each year parents will be given a Year group homework brochure. This enables teachers, children and parents to be clear about the expectations of the coming year. Homework will be set in accordance with the brochure, although a degree of flexibility is built in for staff to vary the pattern occasionally.

Your teacher will set homework in an easily followed routine. The homework will be set consistently across classes in each year group and in line with the Phase. Homework will take into account equal and racial opportunities.

Teachers will ensure homework is purposeful and links directly into the curriculum being taught. We expect the children to complete their homework tasks and will praise them for doing so. Where homework is not regularly completed in line with expectations, parents will be informed. Homework will be marked in accordance with the school marking policy.

Feedback will be in a variety of forms, and not always written. It may be to individual pupils, or to groups of pupils.

Please do not hesitate to contact your child's class teacher if you have any concerns about homework.

## **4 HOW CAN YOU HELP?**

You can establish a regular routine of home learning by:

- Listening to your child read every night
- Providing a suitable working environment at home
- Encouraging without being over-anxious or over-organising



- Checking that your child is keeping to the agreed class homework routine
- Praising your child for producing work of their highest standard
- Supporting the Home-School Agreement

## **5 ASSESSMENT AND REVIEW**

This policy will be monitored and reviewed annually to assess its implementation and effectiveness.