



Homework Policy

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At Houghton School we believe that homework can make an important contribution to our children's progress, we also believe that it is important for children to spend time with their families and friends outside of school and explore and experience what the world has to offer, alongside developing those all-important life skills.

At Houghton School homework is used:

- as a reinforcement for learning that takes place in school
- to practise skills learned at school
- to increase partnership between home and school
- to encourage children to develop their independent learning skills
- to develop a deeper interest in learning

Homework is increased as the children move through school, this will support their development and prepare them more readily for secondary school.

Below is the overview of what homework is given across school:

Early Years Foundation Stage	Reading book
Key Stage 1	Reading book
Lower Key Stage 2 & Specialist Class	Reading book, weekly spellings
Upper Key Stage 2	Reading book, weekly spellings, another piece of work linked to what has been taught that week as appropriate

All children in Key Stage 1 & Key Stage 2 will each have an identified literacy and numeracy target (see individual target and target time policy). Parents/carers are encouraged to support the children with these targets at home.

Parents/carers are also encouraged to work alongside school to support the children in meeting their outcomes as agreed within the Education Health and Care Plan (EHCP).

Parents/carers can contact school if they have any questions or queries.