

South Baddesley CE Primary School: Home Learning Policy



At South Baddesley home learning includes the following elements:

- homework,
- home-Learning projects,
- parent workshops and
- 'essential' read booklists.

Termly Open Afternoons and Report Cards support the effectiveness of home-learning. We welcome communication with parents regarding home learning.

At South Baddesley we set homework according to the age and stage of the children. Whilst it is beneficial for parents to support their child complete their homework, it should be an independent task.

Homework should provide opportunities to:

- embed, develop and enhance their learning in school,
- assist in preparation for future class work,
- develop good work habits and self-discipline for the future
- encourage skills and attitudes which help children improve their educational performance
- help parents gain insight into their child's schoolwork and promote partnership between home and school.

In contrast, **home-learning projects** are aimed at opportunities for children to engage in longer projects and are ideal opportunities to involve the whole family. On occasions this may include using resources not found in school (public libraries, local museums etc).

Our **parent workshops** are held each term and focus on area of the curriculum, such as mathematics. The workshops are informal and open to all parents. The content of each workshop links directly to the current classwork.

Essential Reads: these are booklists created for each year group. They are available on our school website and are sent home each term. The aim is for the children to read as many of the books on the list as possible.

At South Baddesley we set the following weekly homework:

Class One	Class Two	Class Three	Class Four
Reading	Reading and words	Reading Spelling Handwriting Times tables and number facts	Reading Spelling English Mathematics

When teachers set homework they will ensure that:

- It is set on the same day of the week each week and collected a 6 days later.
- Feedback on the homework will be given to the children so that it helps them to make progress. Feedback can include verbal or written comments. A stamp will be put in each child's homework book in recognition of the homework.
- All KS2 children will be given a homework book.
- Homework is not optional.

Home learning:

Home learning projects are set each half term. They are recorded on our half termly planning grids. These plans are on the class page on the school website and will be sent home by email or paper copy if requested.

Home learning projects are optional but we keenly encourage the children to complete them as they are an exciting aspect of the children's learning.

Pupils with special educational needs:

We set homework for all children as a normal part of school life. We ensure that all tasks set are appropriate to the ability of the child. If a child has special needs, we adapt any task set so that all children can contribute in a positive way.

Monitoring and Review

This policy will be reviewed in consultation with all parties:

staff,

governors,

pupils and

parents.

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