

Mansbridge Primary School



Homework Policy – Year 1

Introduction

At Mansbridge School, homework is seen as an important way in which to help children learn. All Children are encouraged to complete their homework.

Homework at Mansbridge is planned and organised so that it can be done without sacrificing participation in after school clubs or hobbies. Homework is a positive activity that supports the learning done at school – it is never a punishment or something to keep children busy.

The purposes of Homework

The main purposes are to raise the standards of achievement of the children by:

- Teaching good work habits and encouraging independent learning
- Supporting the learning done in school
- Building a strong partnership between parents and teachers for the benefit of the children

The range of homework which is set

Homework tasks are clearly related to the work children are doing in school and the work is matched to the children's abilities- not too difficult or too easy.

Reading skills are the foundation of good learning and are emphasised in the homework of all year groups. Together with reading, homework set will include spelling, handwriting, learning multiplication tables, Maths, English and other topics. Homework will not always be written and may sometimes involve practical activities.

The planning and Organisation of Homework

Teachers plan homework to ensure that children are not expected to do too much on one day.

Parents and children have flexibility to fit homework times around out of school activities and family commitments.

The Weekly Programme of Homework

In Year 1 the minimum expectation is:

Shared or Independent Reading	3 times a week
Handwriting	3 times a week
Times tables	Every week Given out: Weekly
Spellings with an expectation of writing it in sentences	Every week Given out on: Tuesday Tested on: Monday

* We don't wish to give the children too much or too little homework so we do provide some flexibility - If you wish for your child to get even more homework please ask the teacher and we will be able to sort something out.