NORTH BECKTON HOMEWORK POLICY

Homework is seen as an extension of the work covered in school in order to support ongoing progress and the achievement of all pupils. It is gradually developed throughout the school so that children can develop a routine and develop the necessary skills for working independently. In order to work successfully this does require good parental support.

THE PURPOSE OF HOMEWORK IS TO:

- Develop the home school partnership
- Consolidate and reinforce skills and understanding
- Exploit resources for learning in the home
- Develop skills of organisation and self-discipline
- Prepare pupils for the demands of secondary education
- Extend school learning

PHASE	TIME ALLOCATION	TASKS
EARLY YEARS FOUNDATION STAGE PHASE Reception	Weekly: 60 minutes +/- 12 minutes daily Formal homework is given on Fridays and is expected to be handed in on Wednesdays.	Counting, reading and recording this in reading records, writing, number bonds, addition and subtraction of single digits, ordering numbers 1 - 20, handwriting, spelling of tricky words
KEYSTAGE 1 PHASE Years 1 - 2	Weekly: 100 minutes +/- 20 minutes daily	Reading, reading comprehension, grammar, spellings, handwriting, number bonds, adding, subtracting, multiplication, division, times tables
LOWER KEYSTAGE 2 PHASE Years 3 - 4	Weekly: 120 minutes +/- 25 minutes daily	Reading, reading comprehension, grammar, spellings, handwriting, times

ORGANISATION AND MANAGEMENT OF HOMEWORK

		tables
UPPER	Weekly: 150 minutes	Reading, reading
KEYSTAGE 2	+/- 30 minutes daily	comprehension,
PHASE		grammar, spellings,
Years 5 - 6		handwriting, times
		tables

The expectation is that children should read at home each evening. Parents are requested to make comments in this regard in the child's reading record. We also place a very high premium on times tables and all children should know all times tables up to 12 times 12 to the point of rapid recall. Division facts should also be learnt.

Formal homework will be given to children on Fridays and is expected to be returned as directed by class teachers so that it can be marked before new homework is given out on the following Friday. This homework will generally consist of both English and Maths tasks, but could also include topic/sciencebased projects, particularly over holiday periods.

Parents/Carers will be expected to check that all homework is completed to a good standard before it is returned to school.

The work will be checked and marked by teachers and/or support staff.