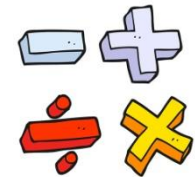




The March CE Primary School



A guide to homework



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At the March Primary School, we believe that homework can make a significant contribution to the overall educational experience of our pupils- if approached in the correct way. Our research and feedback from parents over the last year has enabled us to create these guidelines, in order to provide homework that will be beneficial, manageable and structured in its approach. This policy sets out guidance to parents, teachers and children. It outlines the purpose of homework, the type and amount of homework appropriate for children of different ages and abilities, the frequency of homework activities and the role of parents in supporting their children. The homework tasks themselves will be set out in greater detail by each class teacher. Please see below for the guidelines regarding these tasks.

WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF HOMEWORK?

We believe that homework has five main purposes:

- To develop an effective partnership between school and home in nurturing children's learning.
- To consolidate and reinforce skills and understanding, particularly in Literacy and Numeracy.
- To maximise use of resources for learning, using both the home and school environment.
- To extend and reinforce school learning, for example, through additional Reading and Mathematics
- To encourage children as they get older to develop the confidence and self-discipline needed to study on their own, and prepare them for the requirements of secondary school.

HOW CAN PARENTS HELP?

- ❖ It is important for the children to have a suitable place to carry out their homework activities. Usually, younger children will do these with an adult, but as the children get older, and particularly in Years 5 and 6, they will often want to work quietly on their own.
- ❖ However, some activities for children in Years 3 - 6, may be more effective with the help of an adult. Parent's interest and enthusiasm will certainly encourage children!
- ❖ Ensuring children have the right materials (such as pencils, rulers, pens, etc) for the homework is also a good idea.
- ❖ Praising children for completing their work will show that it is important and valued.

FINALLY

We hope that you find this information useful. We feel that it clearly indicates the value which we place on homework, which is central to the partnership between home and school. If you would like further information or advice, please contact your child's teacher who will be pleased to help.

Class R	Class 1	Class 2
<p>Autumn term:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sounds sent home each week • Maths questions • Reading book if appropriate <p>Spring term / Summer terms :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Common exception words to read (word wall format) • Reading books 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Weekly word walls for spelling and reading • Optional Education City tasks • Big weekly Maths Question • 1x topic homework each half term 	<p>Autumn term:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Weekly word walls for spelling and reading • Big weekly maths questions • Optional Education City tasks. <p>Spring term :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Spelling- weekly • Optional Education City tasks <p>Summer term :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Times tables • Optional Education City tasks

Class 3 & Class 4	Class 5	Class 6
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 5 minutes spelling and reading • 5 minutes maths pack to support maths skills • Topic grid 1 per half term • Generic activities for Education City 	<p>5 minutes of each a day:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Weekly spelling • Weekly maths skills • 5 days reading • Topic grid 1 per half term • Generic activities for Education City 	<p>Autumn term: (15minutes daily)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Spelling - 5mins • Maths number operations - 5mins <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grammar – 5mins • Topic grid 1 per half term <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Generic activities for Education City <p>Spring term: (10mins daily)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grammar and maths – 10mins <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Spelling – 10 mins • Revision guides (no topic based homework) <p>Summer term:</p>

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