

Turney School

Homework Policy

This policy is based on the ethos of the school, which is to present a secure, caring and supportive environment in which there is an expectation of pupil achievement and raised attainment.

What are the aims of this policy?

- To ensure a consistent approach to homework throughout the school.
- To ensure that teachers, parents and pupils have a clear understanding regarding expectations for homework.
- To ensure that teachers, parents and children are fully aware of the role they play with regard to homework.

What is the purpose of homework?

- To consolidate, reinforce and extend skills and understanding.
- To provide opportunities for parents and children to work together.
- To allow parents to gain an understanding of what children are learning in school.
- To allow pupils to progress towards becoming more independent learners.

What is the role of the school?

- To provide parents with a clear policy regarding homework.
- To ensure this policy is fully and consistently followed.
- To provide support for parents with information about homework.

What is the role of the teacher?

- To plan and set a programme of homework that is appropriate to the needs of the child or young person.
- To ensure all pupils understand the homework they have been given.
- To mark and give feedback about homework.
- To be available to talk to parents and pupils about homework.
- To inform parents if there is a problem regarding homework.

What is the role of the parent?

- To support the child/young person in completing homework.
- To ensure the child/young person completes homework to a high standard and hands it in on time.
- To provide the appropriate conditions for the child/young person to complete the homework.

- To provide the appropriate resources for the child/young person to complete the homework.
- To talk with teacher(s) or record in the diary if homework is too difficult or time consuming for your child. Learning rates vary so it is difficult to articulate an exact amount of time that should be spent on completing homework.

What is the role of the child or young person?

- To take home the homework
- To hand the homework back to the teacher on time.
- To take on board any feedback about homework.

Homework timetables

For children in the primary department we encourage parents to work together with their child to support them with their homework. The emphasis remains on Literacy and reading but we include ways in which children can be supported with important Numeracy skills. Homework is issued once a week, usually on Friday.

Subject teachers in the secondary department issue homework according to the homework timetable to support the teaching and learning that has occurred that day. All pupils are also expected to read either individually or to an adult for 10 minutes each evening. When homework is issued it will be recorded in the pupil's diaries.

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