



STUDLEY COMMUNITY INFANTS' SCHOOL

HOMEWORK POLICY

We believe that homework can take many forms for children in the Foundation and K.S.1 stages of the National Curriculum.

Developing the vital skills of reading, writing and basic numeracy takes precedence in the Early Years and we emphasize the importance of our partnership with parents by encouraging them to:

- read many different genres to their children.
- practise phonics regularly at home following the school scheme and order in which they are taught.
- share the set reading books on the day they are sent home.
- share non-scheme books at other times.

As children progress through the school more demands will be made on them and we will explain the importance of increased homework to parents and children. Pupils will be expected to learn Key words and more challenging spellings. Their class teacher will sometimes require research linked to specific topics, usually connected to personal events or places.

We believe that Studley has much to offer children so we encourage participation in such out of school activities as

Gym club	Swimming
Tennis	Rainbows and Beavers
Football	Dancing

These not only develop valuable life skills but also an interest in their community.

We believe that pupils should spend approximately 1 hour a week on homework, e.g. 10 minutes per night not a 1 hour block, but more time should be spent reading/sharing books with an adult.

Reasonable adjustments will be made to this policy in order to accommodate additional needs/disability in children/young people.

This policy is a working document and therefore is open to change and restructuring as and when the need arises.