



**Mildmay Infant & Nursery School**

# Homework Policy

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As valued individuals we all belong to a respectful, caring, unique community where together we grow through fun, active learning.

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### Our School

#### Key Stage One:

In KS1 all teaching teams will discuss and set activities to be sent home each week for literacy and numeracy or to link to the year group theme. There will sometimes be a specific activity for all linked to themed work either to introduce this or to support this. In our school we value the opportunities to give more practical activities and encourage children to take their themed learning home with them. We also value the relationship between home and school and some activities are given so this can be celebrated through a display in the classroom. These displays will be clearly labelled.

During the year photos of these displays are included in class webpage updates so this can be communicated to parents. Differentiated activities for Literacy and Numeracy will be given. This will relate to the maths teaching from the current week or a problem solving activity and spelling or grammar activity based on weekly learning.

Children can change their reading book as often as they like so they can read at home. Children also take a library book home each week too.

All teachers are expected to regularly mark and date activities and also give feedback or make personal comments on some work where it is appropriate. This is another way to help parents and children see that we value what they do at home.

#### EYFS:

There is no requirement to set activities for home but previous parent surveys have indicated that this is an aspect they are happy with. In Reception children can change their reading book regularly and also take a library book home each week. The teachers send home information about phonemes covered each week and also as the year progresses some simple phonic activities linked to the different phase levels children are working.

### Support for Parents

Parents can discuss homework with class teachers if they feel they need some extra help to support their child with this at home. 'Classroom Snapshots' help parents understand how some aspects of the curriculum are taught in school so this can help them at home when they carry out activities with children. Subject specific workshops are provided by the school to help parents understand different aspects of literacy and numeracy too. Teacher comments in reading record books support parents with

their understanding about what has been focused on in school so they can use this to help them when they read with their child.

Our 'Homework how to ..' section on our website also provides further guidance for parents.