

Glory Farm Primary School



'Learning together to ensure we are the best we can be.'

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Rationale: We believe that home learning supports, extends and consolidates the learning covered in the classroom while supporting children to develop self-discipline, independence and the ability to take responsibility for their own learning.

Our home learning guidance aims to:

- Raise achievement;
- Ensure a consistency of approach throughout the school;
- Ensure teachers, parents and carers have a clear understanding about expectations of themselves and pupils.

The main purpose of home learning is:

- to encourage pupils to develop the skills, confidence and motivation to study independently at home effectively.
- to consolidate and reinforce the skills and understanding developed at school.
- to extend school learning through activities such as additional reading and research.
- to develop and sustain the involvement of parents in the management of their child's learning and to keep them informed
- to explore the wide range resources for learning at home, eg: internet, library, adult knowledge and newspapers.
- to maintain good channels of communication between home and school.
- to offer pupils the opportunity to extend their learning by including optional, additional challenges or open ended questions.

Home Learning at Glory Farm Primary School: Key Principles

- The amount and difficulty of homework set is tailored according to the child's age and ability.
- Sufficient time is allowed for the completion of homework to allow for a healthy home/school work balance.
- As the children progress through the school, the amount of homework may increase.
- Teachers ensure that the tasks are purposeful and aimed at developing and consolidating basic skills.
- Teachers provide parents and pupils with clear learning objectives and instructions for tasks.

Home Learning Guidelines

We believe that the most important home learning activity is regular reading. Suggested reading times are 5-10 minutes in Reception increasing to at least 20 minutes by Year 5 & 6. There is an expectation that reading at home will happen regularly (5 times a week minimum). It is important for parents/carers to read with children and to discuss books, pictures and stories, even when they are in Year 6. Children's reading diaries are to be signed by parents/carers daily, after hearing children read. The nature and content of homework set, and the amount of time needed to complete homework will vary from year to year and from child to child.

Homework will be set weekly on our school website (EYFS & KS1) or on the Google Classroom (KS2). The children in KS2 will need to log on using their school Gmail account

details to complete their homework. Homework will appear on the appropriate platform every Friday and will be due in on the following Friday.