



LONGSTONE SCHOOL

HOMEWORK POLICY

ARTICLE 28

“Every child has the right to an education.”

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HOMWORK POLICY

It is part of school policy that homework should be set on a regular basis. Homeworks are differentiated to match the ability of each child. (Article 3, Best Interests of the Child)

Homework is set to:

1. Reinforce work which has been carried out in the classroom.
2. Develop the ability to work independently.
3. Provide a means of communication between school and home by enabling parents to see, on a regular basis, the type and level of work being carried out in school.

Procedures

Foundation/Key Stage 1

Homework is issued to consolidate in school learning. (Article 28, Right to an Education)

Activities will vary according to ability, with the activities in the foundation stage being of a more practical nature.

Numeracy and Literacy based homework will be issued on a Monday to be returned on a Thursday.

Spellings and number facts will be issued on a weekly basis, where appropriate, and tested on a Friday.

Reading will be prepared in class and sent home weekly, according to ability. (Article 29, Develop Talents and Abilities)

Shared reading be sent home on a weekly basis.

Key Stage 2

Each pupil has a homework notebook or diary in which work to be done is recorded.

Homework is given on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Work should be completed and dated on the night it is set and returned to school the following morning. (Article 3, Best Interests of the Child)

Parents are expected to sign homework each night.

Key Stage coordinators monitor the diaries on a monthly basis.

Key Stage 3/4

Each pupil is given a homework diary at the beginning of the year which they use to record homework in.

Pupils are expected to complete an English and Maths homework weekly as a minimum, there is an agreed homework timetable in place for this. **(Article 3, Best Interests of the Child)**

Additional homework for other externally moderated subjects are set when required.

Pupils are rewarded for completing their homework through our Key Stage Four points system. **(Article 31, Right to rest and Play)**

Homework Time-Table

At the beginning of the school year all pupils are given a homework time-table. This shows the name of the teacher who sets the homework for a given night.

Homework Exercise Book

Usually homework is done in an exercise book. It should be completed and dated on the night it is set and returned to school the following morning.

Parents are expected to sign the homework book each night.

Homework Diaries

Each pupil is given a homework diary at the beginning of each year. Details of homework set are given in the diary.

Form teachers check homework diaries on Monday mornings to ensure that:

- (a) The diary has been properly completed for the previous week.
- (b) The date for the new week has been entered correctly.

(Article 23, Right to a Special Education)

Key Stage Coordinators monitor the completion of homeworks on a monthly basis.

Class/Form teachers will keep the relevant Key Stage Coordinator informed of any irregularities or difficulties associated with the satisfactory completion of homework. The Key Stage Coordinator will investigate the situation and contact the parent/guardian if necessary. **(Article 3, Best Interests of the Child)**

Parents will be informed of the homework policy at the beginning of each year and will be given a copy of the relevant homework timetable.

This policy will next be reviewed by October 2024.