

Castleton Primary School Homework Policy 2021-22

The policy of our school is that homework should be to support key skills and should not be overwhelming.

Staff believe it is important that children have time to participate in out of school activities but also have chance to practise key skills at home so parents are familiar with what is expected of children of their age.

Homework will be given as follows:

Early Years Foundation Stage:

All children are given a sound book and cards to help them with phonics practice. They will bring home a book to share and when they are ready to read independently and will bring a school book home.

Key Stage 1:

Sounds and Key words may be given as required to secure children's spelling in class. These will be checked each time the children read, and changed when they are secure.

Reading:

All children are given two reading books: one a RWI book and the other a reading for pleasure book to share. Please do read with your child and enjoy with them the books they are given. Reading is fundamental to all other work in school and the time we all spend on this area in the early stages will really help your child to make progress.

Spellings: Weekly spellings will be sent home.

Maths: Numbots/ times table rock stars

Children will be expected to read at least five times a week. Parents should write a comment in the reading records to show they have read. Questions will be in the front of the RWI books to help parents ask questions and develop the children's comprehension skills.

Key Stage 2

Reading- Children are encouraged to read every day. When they are able, children can write in their own comments in their reading record but we still encourage parents to listen to their child read.

Year 6 may be given practice SATs papers to replace regular homework.

Spellings: Weekly personalised spelling lists will be sent home.

Maths

Times tables rock stars

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Whole school

Projects

At some points in the year, we will set project-based homework. These will involve a variety of tasks such as researching, making, etc. Parents are encouraged to support their children throughout this process. At the end of the project period, parents will be invited to share and celebrate the projects.

Review Date: September 2022