

Dewhurst St Mary CE Primary School

Home Learning Policy

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School Vision

Dewhurst St Mary CofE is committed to nurturing learners who think creatively and achieve their potential reflecting our core values of independence, confidence and respect.

Dream Believe Achieve

Home learning is an essential part of good education.

It is a direct way of more closely involving parents in their child's education and gives pupils the opportunity to practise at home the tasks done in class.

It also helps children to become confident and independent in their learning, which will help throughout their time at school, and in adult life.

Teachers recognise that home learning has greater success when pupils and parents value it.

Home Learning will involve tasks of a wide and varied nature which may involve some of the activities outlined below:-

- Sharing books from home or school with a parent, adult or sibling
- Talking about topics from school and discussing activities suggested by the teacher
- Learning tables, number bonds, spelling etc.
- In key stage 2 researching a topic and making notes using resources at home
- Completing tasks started at school
- Making plans and collecting things for experiments at school
- Bringing interesting artefacts to school
- Practising for class or assemblies

Outlined below are the approximate times that each year group is expected to spend on "Home Learning" activities;

Daily:

- Reading/sharing of a book
- Consolidation of sounds/high frequency words/spellings
- Counting/number bonds/times table practise

In addition

KS1 pupils are required to weekly undertake:

- One piece of homework - no more than one hour

KS2 pupils are required to weekly undertake:

- Two pieces of homework - no more than 1½ hours