Cherry Tree Primary School

Homework Policy

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At Cherry Tree we believe that homework makes an important contribution to the learning process. The school will use homework as a tool to consolidate and extend the pupils' learning.

Aims:

In setting appropriate homework we aim to:

- Ensure that it is accessible to, and contributes to the learning of all pupils
- Enhance learning and raise achievement
- To consolidate and extend work pupils have done in school
- Help to encourage independence and a love of learning
- Ensure that pupils are not held back by an inability to read fluently and accurately by encouraging daily reading
- To encourage pupils to use a range of skills including reading, writing, communication and mathematical skills across the curriculum
- Prepare the pupils for the next stage of their education i.e. secondary school
- Encourage a partnership between parents, pupils and teachers to create a cohesive learning community

Strategies:

We will achieve these aims by:

- Following the homework guidelines throughout the school
- Ensure that homework is differentiated and matched to the needs of the learner so that all pupils have an opportunity to excel
- Expecting all pupils to complete their homework
- Setting homework which is interesting and thought provoking as well as reinforcing work that has been carried out in class.

We encourage parents when working with their child at home to promote the spiritual, moral, social and cultural development of their children by taking part in activities outside of school that:

- Allow children to use their imagination and creativity
- Develop curiosity in their learning
- Develop an appreciation of theatre, music, art and literature
- Respond positively to a range of artistic, sporting and other cultural opportunities

- Children who do not complete their homework will be expected to complete these tasks at playtime.