

## **Paget Primary School Homework Policy 2023**

*Homework links learning from school to home. It gives parents the opportunity to support their child to be independent and further develop the skills they are learning in school. To be successful, it is important for home and school to work together.*

*In order to do this, Paget Primary School strive to ensure that the homework is pertinent to the child's age and ability.*

*We also believe in a strong focus on the key skills of Reading and rapid recall of Maths facts.*

### **Homework helps to:**

- Reinforce skills learnt in school, especially in English and Numeracy
- Encourage independence, self discipline and confidence
- Develops a partnership between school and home
- Extend learning opportunities, including out of school research
- Prepare older children for secondary school
- You recognise your child's strengths and weaknesses to help support learning

### **How homework will be set:**

Reading books will be issued during the week, they are at your child's level. Your child will also choose a library book to develop their reading for pleasure. Children from Year 1 onwards will be issued with a times table book and a CGP book for both Maths and English.

### **What homework will be set?**

#### ***Nursery:***

In Nursery, the children are given homework challenges that can be completed at home with parents. These may be given via Marvellous Me or paper.

- ❖ Weekly a shared reading book will be sent home - these are changed on a Wednesday
- ❖ Homework challenges through the year - these can be based on the theme or book for the week
- ❖ Number focus for the week's activity
- ❖ Nursery rhymes
- ❖ Phonics and sound games
- ❖ Wellcomm activities

The children can bring in any homework they do if they want to share it with the class.

#### ***Reception:***

- ❖ From September children in Reception are encouraged to practise the reading of their RWI sounds. In addition, children receive a letter formation sheet linked to the sounds they are learning.
- ❖ They will also be given a phonic reading book and we encourage children to read to or with an adult or older sibling for a short amount of time each night, which is recorded in the reading diary each night.
- ❖ Children are encouraged to read for pleasure and visit the library.
- ❖ Red words (RWI) will be sent home when appropriate, along with speaking and listening activities to develop key communication skills.

- ❖ **Maths** – Children will be required to use Numbots weekly and will be expected to learn key number facts, which will be sent home when relevant. Children should be encouraged to develop their understanding of number, play games and complete counting activities daily at home.

### **Years One to Two:**

- **Phonics** - Your child will be issued with a new phonic book, linked to their learning after they have read their book three times in school. Your child will be expected to read at least 3 times with an adult to focus on their phonic skills. Parents will need to sign the Reading Record to say this has been completed. Book bags need to be in school every day.
- **Reading for Pleasure** - In addition to this we encourage you and your child to read either their reading book or library book daily. These books will be issued dependant on your child's classes Library Slot.

Reading is a really important part of the children's learning at school and at home so that they can access their learning effectively. Children should read every day either to someone or to themselves.

- **Spellings** – The children will be provided with a spelling record book where children can write red (common exception words) that they can learn at home.

Those children who have completed the RWI scheme, will be given additional English work to be completed at home.

- **Y1 and Y2 English and Maths CGP books** – Your child will be issued with targeted English and Maths CGP books. The teacher will direct the children as to which pages in the books will need to be completed for homework. These pages will be set on a Thursday and need to be returned, completed on a Monday. These will be marked with the children in school with the Teacher.
- **Maths** – Children are encouraged to use Numbots and TT Rockstars to develop key maths skills on rapid recall on addition and subtraction facts. This will develop in Year 2 to your child being issued with a times table book so you can practise daily their 2,5,10 times tables for both multiplication and division facts.

### **Year Three to Six.**

- **Reading to develop fluency** - Your child will be expected to read at least 3 times with an adult to focus on developing their fluency and comprehension skills. Parents will need to sign and add a comment in the Reading Record once they have read with your child.
- **Reading for pleasure** - In addition to this we encourage you and your child to read either their reading book or library book daily. These books will be issued dependant on your child's classes Library Slot.  
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- **Spellings** will be issued weekly and will be according to your child's spelling level. These will be issued in their weekly spelling book and a test will be given each week. In addition, each half term your child will be sent home with a list of 10 statutory spellings to learn, which will then be tested on at the end of each half term.
- **English and Maths CGP books** – Your child will be issued with targeted English and Maths CGP books. The teacher will direct the children as to which pages in the books will need to be completed for homework. These pages will be set on a Thursday and need to be returned, completed on a Monday. These will be marked with the children in school with the Teacher.
- **Times tables:**  
Year 3 – 4 Children will be expected to practise their times tables in their times table book and will be tested weekly on the relevant times table  
If your child is not confident with times tables, please can you continue to practise at home.
- **Year 6 SATS**  
Year 6 will be issued with SATS practice books and papers to be completed as directed by the class teacher throughout the year.

***In school we have a supply of laptops that we can loan to families to support with any online learning. If you require this, please make contact with Mrs Thomas.***

***If you have any questions about homework, please speak to your class teacher.***