

Otterham Primary School

Homework Policy
October 2025



Version 5

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Here at Otterham we see homework as serving the following purposes:

- 1 To encourage self-discipline and personal organisation
 - 2 To create additional time for structured learning
 - 3 To bridge the gap between home and school
 - 4 To allow parents direct involvement in their child's learning
- **The school believes that Homework should consist of reinforcing those skills already learnt in the classroom or to occasionally undertake personal research**
 - **The frequency and length of tasks will vary according to the age and needs of our children, and according to the programme of work at the time**

Principally, the amount of homework will be as follows:

Class	Tasks	Time
3	Rec / Y1 / Y2 Daily reading	Approx 10 mins/day
	Y1 / Y2 – Weekly Spellings	15 mins
	Y1 – Maths + English Workouts Y2 – Maths + English Workouts	10 mins each
2	Daily reading	10 mins/day
	Weekly Spellings	20/30 mins per week
	Maths Workout	10 mins
	GPS Workout	10 mins
1	Daily Reading	20 mins/day
	Maths Workout	20 mins max
	GPS Workout	20 mins max
	NB - Spelling in class	

- If a parent feels that particular circumstances warrant additional homework this should be discussed with the class teacher.
- Homework should be set for clearly defined purposes, not for its own sake.
- It will not be appropriate for homework to be set for new work which has not been introduced in class.
- Homework set should be followed up in class and it should be made clear to children that not doing homework may have a negative impact on their class work.
- At Otter ham School we expect all children to read daily at home. In EYFS and Key Stage 1 we ask parents to listen to their child read daily and sign the reading record book. In Key Stage 2 we expect children to read daily but encourage parents to share reading 2/3 x per week. Parents should sign reading records (comment optional) on a weekly basis.

This policy will be published on the website to allow parent feedback.

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