Corpus Christi Catholic Primary School

Homework Policy

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Learning & Working Together with Jesus

Introduction

Homework is anything that children do outside of the normal school day that contributes to their learning in response to guidance from the school. At Corpus Christi we have a strong commitment to parental involvement and view homework as one way of developing this partnership.

Rationale

At Corpus Christi we believe that homework should:

- Be used as a tool to help continue to raise standards of attainment.
- Improve the quality of the learning experience offered to pupils and to extend it beyond the classroom environment.
- Provide opportunities for parents, children and the school to work together in partnership in relation to children's learning.
- Encourage pupils and their parents to share and enjoy learning experiences.
- Reinforce work covered in class by providing further opportunities for individual learning.
- To practise or consolidate basic skills and knowledge, especially in Maths and English
- Encourage children to develop the responsibility, confidence and self-discipline needed to study independently.

Expectations for Key Stage 1 and Foundation Stage

All children should read at home at least 3 times a week. This should serve to inspire both a love of reading and to reinforce phonics work and comprehension. This should be recorded in the yellow reading logs and will be monitored by the class teacher / teaching assistant.

In Foundation Stage they will be set a weekly phonics task.

In KS1(Year 1 and 2) a weekly English and/or Mathletics task will be set by teachers. This may be in the form of phonics, spellings or grammar work for English and should reinforce the learning in the classroom during the week. This will be set on a Wednesday and should be returned on a Monday.

Key Stage 2

All children should read at home at least 3 times a week. This should serve to inspire both a love of reading and to reinforce phonics work and comprehension. This should be recorded in the yellow reading logs and will be monitored by the class teacher / teaching assistant.

In KS2 a weekly English and Maths / Mathletics task will be set by teachers and again should reinforce learning in the classroom. These will be focussed on spellings, SPAG (spelling, punctuation and grammar), or writing. This will be set on a Wednesday and should be returned on a Monday.

Other
Class teachers can set other tasks which may include research in preparation for a topic but this will be at the discretion of the class teacher and should be age appropriate.

Links to relevant websites and resources can be provided for those parents who would like additional / further support and through conversation with the class teacher.
Phonics homework will be picked up and reviewed in the daily phonics sessions. Mathletics will be monitored by the class teachers. SPAG and writing homework will be marked by the teachers / teaching assistant or will be peer marked.

Parental Responsibility

Parents have a vital role to play in their child's education and homework is an important part of this process. We ask parents to encourage their child to complete the homework tasks that are set. If a child is unable to complete their homework task for any reason, parents should notify the class teacher.

We appreciate that at times homework can be a challenge at home, particularly during a busy week or when children have additional commitments. Please come and see your class teacher if you have any concerns.

Online Homework

With the onset of Blended Learning and the use of Microsoft Teams, some homework tasks may be set using the platform. All pupils will have a logon to Microsoft Teams where homework can be found if set in this way. This will be for EYFS, KS1 and KS2.

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