

Oakwood Primary Academy



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HOMEWORK

I am aware that there has been some miscommunication with regards to homework. I am writing this letter to hopefully clear up any misunderstandings and clarify exactly what is expected to be given out to you children on a weekly basis.

This is the slide from the PowerPoint that was shared during the welcome meeting that we held in the hall on Tuesday 12th September.

HOME WORK



- Y1-Y6 children will have:
- · Reading book and reading log
- Spellings once a week
- Times table practice
- Y6 will also have SATs practice books
- Y1 will have practice phonics sheets
- Homework as required
- Talk homework

As children move up the school homework will become harder and will be linked to any specific learning that is being done in the class, for example Year 4 will get more times table homework as the date for the times table check gets closer, Year I will get an increased level of phonics work to do as the year progresses towards the phonics screening.

Teachers are also able to send any extra work home as they see fit throughout the year – on top of the non-negotiable weekly homework that is sent out. This could be a project linked to the theme they are covering in class.

As a trust we are looking to develop the homework policy over the next year however this would only be to increase homework given to children not to decrease work sent home. Whilst I understand that not all parents choose to engage in work at home with their children it is an expectation that all children will receive this. Partnerships with parents and parents being engaged in their children's learning can only have a positive impact on children's learning and development.

I am planning to run some parent forum groups at school over this academic year where I would like as many parents as possible to come and share their views and opinions on specific agenda items, a place where parents feel listened to and valued and have an input on the education of their children.

If you have any questions please feel free to email or phone the office and I will happily respond either by phone call, email or arranging for you to come into school and have a discussion.

Thank you in advance for your support with this going forward – I am excited to get parent/guardian opinions on school life for your children.

Miss Hammond

Head of School