

## Homework Policy November 2021

The policy at Lealholm Primary School is that homework should be to support key skills and should not be overwhelming.

### Rationale:

Staff believe it is important that children have time to participate in out of school activities. Homework supports learning in the classroom, enabling parents to be involved in their child's education and ensuring the child's education is a two-way process between home and school.

As children move through the school, we are wanting to develop independence and resilience so children are prepared for the transition to secondary.

### Fern Class

#### Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS)

All children are given a book on a Thursday to enjoy at home and it must be brought back on a Monday. Additionally, children choose a library book to read at home for enjoyment throughout the week.



#### Years 1 and 2

All children will be given a phonics book on a Thursday matched to their reading attainment. Tricky word sheets and links to phonics videos may also be given or uploaded onto Classdojo for you to access. Additionally, children choose a library book to read at home for enjoyment throughout the week. Weekly spellings will be sent home. To support maths learning we ask children access Numbots/ times table rock stars.

### Heather Class

Children are expected to read at home for pleasure with a book that has been selected at an age-appropriate level with guidance from the teacher, where required. Weekly spellings will be sent home. To support maths learning we ask children access times table rock stars.



### **Weekly Focus Sheet**

Each week a grammar or maths activity will be sent home with a focus linked to the work in class. This will further support and reinforce the children's learning.

Year 6 will be given practice SATs papers to replace regular homework.

### **Our Reading Approach**

At Lealholm School, we recognise reading as the gateway to the curriculum. To ensure children develop this crucial skill, we ask that children read at least five times a week. This should be recorded in reading records with a comment from the person who has listened to them read. Questions are located at the front of the reading record to guide your comments and develop children's comprehension skills. We encourage the use of a dictionary and the recording of unfamiliar and interesting vocabulary which can be added to the vocabulary tree (these are located in each classroom).

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**Review Date:** September 2022