



Home Learning at Highcliffe Primary School

Our staff work hard to create a culture that will help develop inquiring minds and the ability to work with a sense of purpose; we want to ensure that we have High Aims, High Challenge, High Standards. Research (Education Endowment Foundation, 2021) tells us that the best home learning experiences are when pupils are required to rehearse and practise.

In our **Parent Survey**, parents expressed the desire for more homework. **What does this mean for home learning expectations for our children?** We recommend the following home learning for children:

English Homework

Reading:

‘The impact of reading for pleasure is four times more powerful on progress in vocabulary, mathematics, and spelling at age 16, than that of parental education or parental socio-economic status.’ (Book Trust)

Reading is the single biggest indicator of academic success across the entire curriculum. This is why we recommend that **all children read at home at least three times a week**, but it is even better if it is daily. Reading practise will be different depending on your child’s age and ability. It may be:

- The child reading their book (sent home from school) to an adult.
- An adult reading a book aloud to the child (e.g. a book from home).
- A sustained period of independent reading.

A **reading record** has been provided for you to record your daily reading with your child. We also encourage the Key Stage 2 children to record any independent reading that they do.

Information about which sounds and tricky words children in EYFS and Year 1 are learning will be sent home to parents. For more information, please visit

<https://www.littlewandlelettersandsounds.org.uk/resources/for-parents/>

Spelling:

Practise spellings weekly-Year group specific spelling lists, for your children to be practising across the term, will be shared. Your child will have a log in for **Spelling Shed** (Years 3,4,5,6)

<https://www.spellingshed.com/en-gb/>

Handwriting

Our school is now part of the Letter-join handwriting scheme, and our pupils can log in to the Letter-join website at home on iPads, tablets and computers. There you will find the same easy-to-use handwriting resources that we use at school. There are many activities on the website related to spelling, dictation and vocabulary. Your child will have their log in details in their reading record or home learning book. (Year 3-6) www.letterjoin.co.uk

Maths Homework

We use **Mathletics** to assign carefully tailored maths tasks **to support retrieval and embed key knowledge**

Optional additional Maths Homework activities can be found in **White Rose Workbooks** (Years 1,2,3,4,5,6) and the home learning videos (All year groups). These **match** the **maths units** on the school **curriculum overviews** we have sent to you. Please refer to the curriculum overview and only cover content that has already been taught in school. The workbooks can be used as **daily maths homework**. You do not need to print these off as you can use them digitally. There is also a **White Rose 1 Minute Maths App** (Years EYFS,1,2,) to support your child with their learning.

The online **video lessons** can be found here: <https://whiteroseeducation.com/parent-pupil-resources/maths/home-learning>

The **workbooks** can be found here:

<https://whiteroseeducation.com/parent-pupil-resources/maths/free-downloads>.

Information on how to download the **free app** can be found here (please use the app, rather than the web-based version):

<https://whiteroseeducation.com/1-minute-maths>

Practise counting and learn the Multiplication Tables -Times Tables Rockstar log ins (Years 2,3, 4 ,5 and 6) have been shared with the children so that they can log in at home to support their learning of the multiplication tables- <https://ttrockstars.com/> .

A Maths '**place value**' **knowledge organiser**, and other knowledge organisers, to support your child when learning new knowledge, can be found on the school website.

Curriculum Maps

A **curriculum map**, which outlines the key learning across the curriculum in your child's year group for this half term, has been emailed to you. This information can also be found on our website <https://www.highcliffeacademy.org.uk/curriculum>

Learn key knowledge that is being taught in a unit of work. You can use this at home to discuss your child's learning and, if you wish, to enhance it. For example, if you notice that your child is learning about a particular period in history you could look for activities and books / websites relating to what is being taught in school. *Why not visit your local library over the holidays to get some books related to their learning?*

If you have any questions about home learning, then do speak with your child's class teacher or a member of the School Leadership Team