



## Stoney Middleton CE (C) Primary School

*A child educated  
only at school is  
an uneducated  
child.*

~George Santayana

### Homework Policy

In our school, homework is set in order to:

- enable pupils to further their learning and understanding of the current topic being studied in class
- make learning fun and stimulate their desire to carry on learning outside of school
- provide opportunities to research topics they are studying in class
- challenge children to work independently, alongside their parents/guardians and to personalise the tasks to their own preferred learning styles.
- Provide children with the opportunity to practise skills taught in class
- Help children develop good organisational skills
- Prepare children for secondary school.

All children in school have a reading record. When a child is learning to read this record provides an opportunity for teachers and parents to 'talk' to each other about progress.

Success with homework relies on support from parents who are positively encouraged to find out what their children are learning and to help them refine their skills and produce their best effort.

#### Learning Logs

Every child in Year1-6 has a 'Learning Log', which contains an overview of the week's learning tasks. The learning log is where the children will be able to present their homework and record any learning that they want to reflect on

from what they have done at school. How the children present their work is up them, the more creative the better. Work completed on a computer may be stuck on or emailed to school. [www.learninglogs.co.uk](http://www.learninglogs.co.uk) provide further information and examples.

At the back of the Learning Logs are lists of words that the children are expected to know by the end of the year. These word lists for Year3-6 are statutory and are a mixture of words pupils frequently use in their writing and those which they often misspell.

### Reception

The school will provide reinforcement activities based around the phonics work completed that week. [www.phonicsplay.co.uk](http://www.phonicsplay.co.uk) provides excellent resources, many of them free to support this learning. Children also have reading scheme books and should spend 10-15 minutes per night reading to an adult. They may also be given a maths task to complete outside of school. Activities can also be completed online at [www.educationcity.com](http://www.educationcity.com)

### Year 1

All pupils are expected to complete their learning log. They are also expected to read to an adult every night. All children also have Key Instant Recall facts that are specific to their year group. We recommend that children spend 10 minutes per day practising these.

### Year 2

All pupils are expected to complete their learning log. They are also expected to read to an adult every night. All children also have Key Instant Recall facts that are specific to their year group. We recommend that children spend 10 minutes per day practising these.

### Year 3

All pupils are expected to complete their learning log. They are also expected to read to an adult every night. All children also have Key Instant Recall facts that are specific to their year group. We recommend that children spend 10 minutes per day practising these.

#### Year 4

All pupils are expected to complete their learning log. They are also expected to read to an adult every night. All children also have Key Instant Recall facts that are specific to their year group. We recommend that children spend 20 minutes per day practising these.

#### Year 5

All pupils are expected to complete their learning log. They are also expected to read to an adult every night. All children also have Key Instant Recall facts that are specific to their year group. We recommend that children spend 10 minutes per day practising these. We recommend spending at least 30 minutes per night on homework.

#### Year 6

All pupils are expected to complete their learning log. They are also expected to read to an adult every night. All children also have Key Instant Recall facts that are specific to their year group. We recommend that children spend 20 minutes per day practising these. We recommend spending at least 40 minutes per night on homework.

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