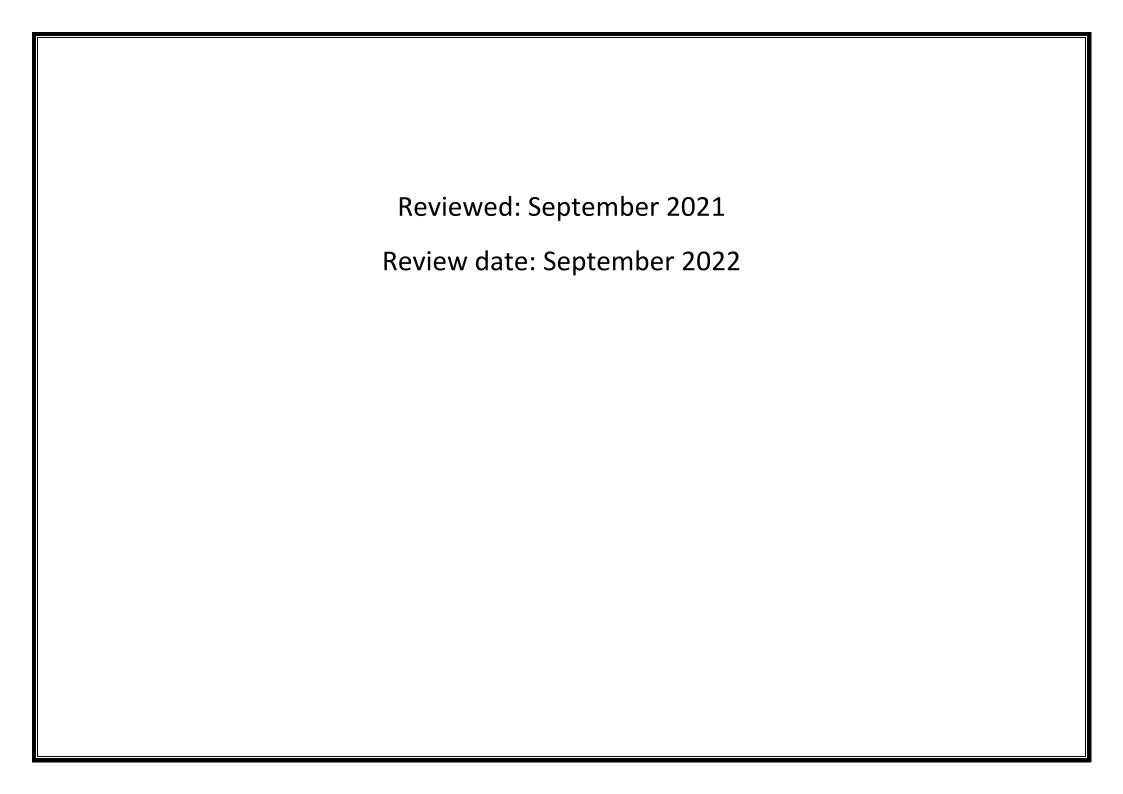
Oasis Academy Boulton



Homework Policy



Introduction

Homework is a very important part of a child's education and can add much to a child's development. The government made clear its commitment to homework in the 1997 White Paper *Excellence in Schools*, where homework was described as 'an essential part of good education'. We recognise that the educational experience that any school by itself can provide is limited by the time and resources available; children can therefore benefit greatly from the complementary learning that they do at home. Indeed, we see homework as an important example of cooperation between teachers and parents. One of the aims of our teaching is for children to develop as independent learners, and we believe that doing homework is one of the main ways in which children can acquire the skill of independent learning.

Homework plays a positive role in raising a child's level of attainment. However, we also acknowledge the important role of play and free time in a child's growth and development. While homework is important, it should not prevent children from taking part in the activities of various out-of-school clubs and of other organisations that play an important part in the lives of our pupils. We are well aware that children spend more time at home than at school, and we believe they develop their interests and skills to the full only when parents encourage them to make maximum use of the opportunities available outside school.

...homework...consolidates learning, deepens understanding and prepares pupils very well for work to come..." OFSTED 2016

"Homework is very creative and helps me with my crafting skills and refers back to my learning!" (Yr6 Pupil SH)

"I am very enthusiastic about my homework and it is creative and helps me develop my character" (Yr6 Pupil NS)

The purpose of homework is:

To develop an effective partnership between the school, parents and other carers in pursuing the aims of the school.

To consolidate and reinforce skills and understanding, particularly in literacy and numeracy.

To extend and enrich school learning, for example through additional reading and research

To encourage pupils as they get older to develop the confidence and self- discipline needed to study on their own.

Through this policy we aim to:

Ensure consistency of approach throughout school.

Ensure progression towards independence and individual responsibility.

Ensure parents/guardians have a clear understanding about our expectations of their role and the pupils'.

Extend and support the learning experience via reinforcement and revision.

Provide opportunities for parents, pupils and school to work in partnership.

Provide opportunities for parents and pupils to work together to enjoy learning experiences.

At Year 6, prepare children for secondary transfer.

Organisation of homework at Oasis Academy Boulton

Homework is differentiated to meet the needs of all learners at our Academy.

In Years 1-6, children to complete homework set on ipads and a homework book.

Teachers provide high quality marking and feedback in line with the school 'Marking and Presentation policy 2021.'

Homework check lists are displayed in every classroom for the teacher or child to use to check homework has been returned and completed.

Reading records are used throughout the school from Reception to Year 6. Parents to use these to record their comments about their child reading at home.

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Overview of Homework Expectations at Oasis Academy Boulton

Year Group	Type of Homework	Frequency	Online Platforms
Nursery	Reading- free choice	Weekly	
	Home link letter- curriculum activities linked to theme (Folder)	Daily	
	Handwriting Activity	Weekly	
Reception	Reading (levelled book)	Daily	ePlatform ePlatform
	High frequency words / Phonics	Weekly	Hair phonics

	Handwriting	Daily	
			In Teams 2021-BOU-REC Channel
	9 Habits Character Calendar	Weekly	
			In Teams 2021-BOU-REC Channel
Year 1	Reading book	Daily (child to bring school reading book in everyday)	ePlatform ePlatform Accelerated™ Reader Accelerated Reader
	Mathematics	Weekly	Sumdog

Phonics	Daily	
Handwriting	Weekly	Hair phonics
Writing linked to knowledge Organiser	Weekly	In Teams 2021-BOU-Y1 Channel
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	9 Habits Character Calendar	Daily	In Teams 2021-BOU-Y1 Channel
	30 Creative Activities for children	Weekly	The state of the s
			In Teams 2021-BOU-Y1 Channel
Year 2	Reading	Daily (child to bring school reading book in everyday)	ePlatform ePlatform Accelerated™ Reader Accelerated Reader
	Mathematics	Weekly	Sumdog

Spellings/Patterns	Daily	
Writing linked to knowledge Organiser	Weekly	In Teams 2021-BOU-Y2 Channel
		In Teams 2021-BOU-Y2 Channel
9 Habits Character Calendar	Daily	
		In Teams 2021-BOU-Y2 Channel

	30 Creative Activities for children	Weekly	In Teams 2021-BOU-Y2 Channel
Year 3,4	Reading book	Daily (child to bring school reading book in everyday)	ePlatform ePlatform Accelerated™ Reader Accelerated Reader
	Mathematics	Weekly	Sumdog

Spellings	Weekly	
		In Teams 2021-BOU-Y3 Channel In Teams 2021-BOU-Y4 Channel
Writing linked to knowledge Organiser	Weekly	
		In Teams 2021-BOU-Y3 Channel
		In Teams 2021-BOU-Y4 Channel
9 Habits Character Calendar	Daily	
		In Teams 2021-BOU-Y3 Channel

			In Teams 2021-BOU-Y4 Channel
	Times tables	Daily	Kahoot!
	30 Creative Activities for children	Weekly	In Teams 2021-BOU-Y3 Channel In Teams 2021-BOU-Y4 Channel
Year 5,6	Reading book	Daily (child to bring school reading book in everyday)	ePlatform ePlatform Accelerated Reader Accelerated Reader

Reading Questions linked to class text.	Weekly	Padlet
Spelling	Weekly	
		In Teams 2021-BOU-Y5 Channel In Teams 2021-BOU-Y6 Channel
Mathematics	Weekly	Sumdog
SPaG	Weekly	

		In Teams 2021-BOU-Y5 Channel In Teams 2021-BOU-Y6 Channel
Writing linked to knowledge Org	ganiser Weekly	
		In Teams 2021-BOU-Y5 Channel In Teams 2021-BOU-Y6 Channel
9 Habits Character Calendar	Daily	
		In Teams 2021-BOU-Y5 Channel In Teams 2021-BOU-Y6 Channel
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	In Teams 2021-BOU-Y6 Channel