# **Beaconsfield Primary School**

## 'Shining a Light on Learning'



B - Belief

P - Perseverance

S - Success

### **Homework Policy & Expectations**

October 2016

Review date:

September 2019

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#### Suggested time allocations for homework each week:

Reception: 30 minutes

Year 1: 30 – 40 minutes

Year 2: 45 – 60 minutes

Year 3: 60 – 75 minutes

Year 4: 75 – 90 minutes

Year 5: 75 – 90 minutes

Year 6: 90 – 120 minutes

- a) Homework tasks should be set each week. Each Year group has a set day where homework is given out and returned.
- b) Homework tasks are provided to give pupils the opportunity to consolidate their learning from school to home. Teachers need to take time to explain to children how to complete the work with clear explanations. In addition pupils from Year 1 to Year 6 will be given weekly spelling/times tables to practise as part of the assertive mentoring assessment.
- c) Reading is an expected part of homework for all children. Reading should take place on 4 out of 5 nights of the week. Pupils are expected to read for a minimum of 20 minutes. This should be recorded in the pupil reading record and signed at home by an adult
- d) Homework should not be just a photocopied worksheet for pupils to fill in. Pupils are given a homework book to record their work. The homework book also provides pupils an opportunity to show their working out, practise spellings and their timetables.
- e) A weekly homework register will need to be kept for each class. (These will be monitored by the SLT once every half term).
- f) Project books are given to pupils from Year 1 to year 6. The project books are used for pupils to work on topics such as history/geography/science. Teachers may give tasks on a weekly or fortnightly basis for pupils to complete.
- q) Within reason homework task should be differentiated for those who require it.

#### Procedures when homework is not completed:

There is an expectation for parents/carers to support with homework at home, this may vary as the child progresses through the school.

1st occasion - Verbal warning from class teacher (Expectation that the missed work is completed)

2<sup>nd</sup> occasion - Send home standard letter stating dates (from register) that homework was not returned.

3<sup>rd</sup> occasion - 2<sup>nd</sup> letter to parents including a warning about meeting in school if home work is missed again.

4<sup>th</sup> occasion - Meeting with either Assistant Head Teacher.

5<sup>th</sup> occasion - Meeting with Head Teacher

Meetings can only take place once these steps have been followed and where an up to date class register has been kept.

It is important that homework is given out each week. Parents expect homework to be given out weekly.