



# Homework Policy

**Approved by: Headteacher & SLT**

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## **Aim and Purpose**

At Gaskell Primary School, we believe that homework plays an essential role in reinforcing and extending the learning that takes place in the classroom. Homework helps to develop important skills such as responsibility, time management and independent learning. The purpose of this homework policy is to provide clear guidelines for both the teachers and the children regarding homework expectations in English, Maths, Spelling and Reading. We have a 'no paper' approach for homework, that is reinforced by our school ethos, ***'Developing each of our children to become successful citizens in todays and tomorrow's world'.***

Using Seesaw for homework assignments, not only reduces the need for paper but also offers a more interactive and engaging learning experience for our children. It allows for digital submission, immediate feedback and easy communication between the teachers, children and parents.

## **English Homework**

English homework will be assigned every Friday on Seesaw. The children will have until the following Friday to complete and submit their English homework. English homework may include activities such as, reading comprehension, writing assignments, grammar exercises and creative writing tasks.

## **Maths Homework**

Maths homework will be assigned every Friday on Seesaw. The children will have until the following Friday to complete and submit their Maths homework. Maths homework may consist of problem-solving exercises, practice worksheets and online Maths activities.

## **Spelling Homework**

Spelling words for the week will be provided every on Seesaw. The children are expected to practice their spelling words throughout the week. Regular spelling tests will be conducted to assess their progress.

## **Daily Reading**

Every child is required to read daily. The children should read age-appropriate books or Reading Plus texts and write a short comment in their reading records.

## **Homework Expectation**

Homework assignments are designed to reinforce the classroom learning and develop the key skills. The children are expected to complete all of the homework assignments to the best of their ability. If a child encounters difficulties or requires additional support, they should communicate with their teacher for assistance. Parents/carers are encouraged to support their child's homework routine by providing a quiet, well-lit space for homework and monitor its completion.

## **Assessment**

Homework assignments may be reviewed and assessed by the teachers to provide feedback and to monitor progress. The teachers will communicate the results of the spelling tests and offer guidance for improvement.

## **Homework Support**

The school will provide resources and support to help the children with their homework. The teachers will be available for any questions and assistance during the designated school opening hours.