

Bude Primary Academy homework policy 2020/21 (when school is fully open)

This policy is intended to ensure consistency across the school in setting learning at home.

Learning at home should:

- Enable pupils to develop organisational skills and self- discipline
- Bridge the gap between home and school to provide parents and carers with direct involvement in their children's learning
- Develop children's independent learning skills
- Personalise learning and develop children's self-motivation and self-confidence.

Reading

- Y3 have a home/school reading diary and Y4 to Y6 use a reading journal with reads being recorded at the back of the journal.
- Reading diary/journal must be in school every day
- Children should read at home at least four times a week and parents should record this in their diary/journal.
- For Y4 to Y6 VIPERS reading journal homework to be set on Monday and returned the following Monday.

Maths

- One precision maths sheet will be sent home every fortnight.
- Children will have prior experience of these activities because they are also used in school.
- Occasionally, extra maths home learning will be provided to tackle specific areas
- Spiral maths sheets will be sent home on a Friday. Unfinished questions can be completed at home for practice but do not need to be sent back.

Topic

- There will be a choice of topic-based learning activities available via your child's online Google classroom each half term. This will also be available on your child's class page on the school website. The expectation is that every child does at least one activity and this will be celebrated at the end of each half- term in class.

It is important that parents and pupils keep accessing the online learning in case of any further school closures but also in preparation for Secondary school where all 'homework' is online.

Is this working?

We will review homework with staff, pupils and parents each term or in response to changes in school opening due to Covid-19 by asking these questions.

- Is homework completed regularly by all children in the school?

- Do parents feel that they are aware of what their children are studying in school?
- Do children enjoy their homework and feel that the tasks are sufficiently interesting and open ended?
- Is homework making a difference to pupil's progress?