HOME LEARNING

Home learning comes in lots of different ways; from activities your child joins in with in the family (e.g. games, trips and visits) to reinforcement activities that will support a subject he or she is finding out about at school. It is not just a series of worksheets; practical activities such as cooking and shopping can help a child progress much more.

Suggested Home/Extended Learning activities:

- Family visits, for example, to parks, natural environments, historical sites, theatres, museums all help develop learning and an interest in the world around them.
- Travelling to and using local community facilities, using different transport or walking/using a wheelchair and noticing landmarks and routes to develop skills of orientation, route planning and independent travel.
- Practical activities around the house and community such as cooking and shopping play an important role in practising pupils’ knowledge and skills in a useful way; these are the ideal opportunities to contribute to learning.
- Playing games as a family can support English and maths development. Your child’s teacher will be happy to help with ideas and advice and we offer a range of workshops throughout the year to support parents with this.
- Reading through books, comics, signs and sharing a story is an important activity and we encourage parents to read daily with their child.
- Watching appropriate new programmes and documentaries develop an interest in the world and knowledge of current affairs.
- Clubs and leisure activities promote physical and social skills and increase confidence, fitness and wellbeing.

Home learning should be a useful and positive activity, not a chore. The time your child spends on it is less important than his or her understanding.

[Link to Home learning policy in full]