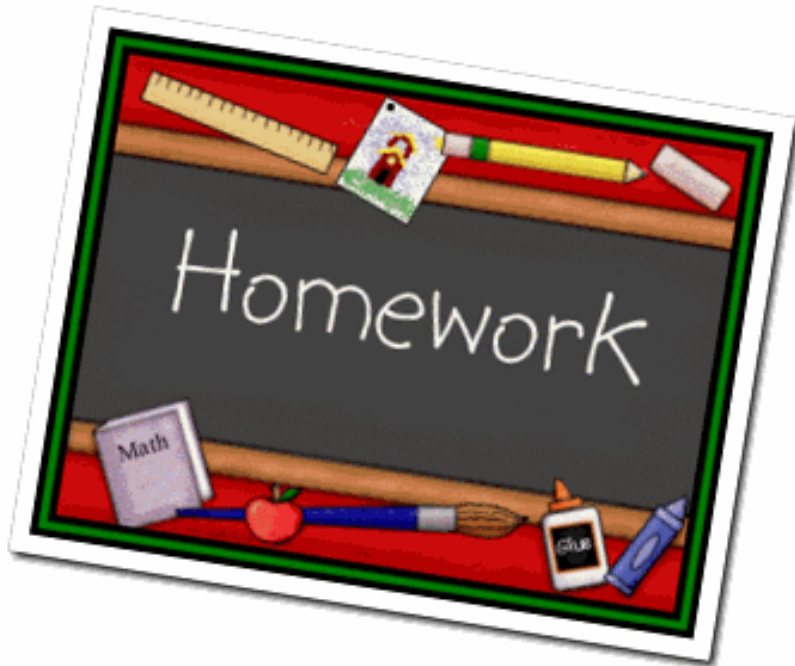


# **NEWBOTTLE & CHARLTON** **CEVA PRIMARY SCHOOL**

*Every person matters, every moment counts "I can do all this through him who gives me strength"*



## Homework Policy Information for Parents

2021-22

Outlined below is the homework structure which Newbottle and Charlton CEVA Primary School follow:

## **Purpose of Homework**

The purpose of homework is:

- To consolidate and reinforce skills and understanding, particularly in literacy and numeracy that has been taught in school;
- To develop an effective partnership between school, parents and other carers in pursuing the aims of the school in helping all children to achieve their potential;
- To provide an opportunity for parents to continue to be involved in the academic development of their child;
- To encourage pupils as they get older to develop the confidence and self-discipline needed to study independently.

## **Homework General Information**

- We appreciate lots of parents are working and have varying amounts of time to support their child, therefore we will set a range of homework for the term so that you can choose activities that fit with home life and the changes that might happen in school. These will include Maths and English but also topic if families would like to complete art or models at home.
- Each short term your child will receive a homework grid of 10 activities to choose from.
- Children will need to complete one every week which will need to be uploaded to our online platform– Seesaw.
- Generally, that will mean they should complete 6 out of the 10 tasks set- All 10 can be completed but there is no expectation for this to be done.
- As a family you can decide what to do each week but you need to ensure that the Maths and English specific ones are completed at some point during the term to help children consolidate their learning in these core areas.
- Each week we will also be setting homework from our online programs- Sumdog and Spelling Shed for Year 1-6. (Reception will have some online tasks in January).
- We will also be expecting children to continue reading regularly at home to support their progress in this area.
- If for any reason your child is unable to complete a homework task for the week, please email your class teacher.
- Home activities will be marked/acknowledged each time by the class teacher on Seesaw. This may include a 'like' or recorded/written feedback depending on the tasks completed. At times children will be asked to share their work with the class and will receive verbal feedback from their teacher.

## **Homework Expectations**

Children will need to complete a piece of homework from the homework grid every 7 days and upload their work onto Seesaw. This could be a photograph of the work completed or it can be completed using the Seesaw app and tools. Photographs of work need to be clear for the teacher to read and mark.

Expectations are that children will also read regularly at home. EYFS/ KS1 – 10 minutes KS2 – 20 minutes. Children are expected to read most nights at home either reading to an adult or reading independently. It is important to discuss what they are reading and hold discussions about the text.

Year 1-6 will also complete tasks from our online programs. See an overview below.

<i>EYFS</i>	<i>KS1- Year 1/2</i>	<i>KS2 – Year 3,4,5,6*</i>
<i>The tasks should take around 20-30 minutes to complete.</i>	<i>The tasks should generally take around 30- 45 minutes to complete depending on the task</i>	<i>The tasks should generally take around 30-60 minutes to complete depending on the task</i>
<i>A range of activities will be set and may encompass a variety of skills and subjects with many practical activities</i>	<i>A range of activities will be set and may encompass a variety of skills and subjects.</i>	<i>A range of activities will be set and may encompass a variety of skills and subjects.</i>
<i>+ Reading 10 minutes x4 (From Oct- when your child is ready)</i>	<i>+ Reading 10 minutes x4 + Sumdog 20 minutes + Spelling shed 20 minutes</i>	<i>+ Reading 20 minutes x4 + Sumdog 20 minutes + Spelling shed 20 minutes</i>

**\*From January in Year 6 the homework pattern may change in order to prepare more for the KS2 tests as well as further transition to secondary school.**

## **Online Programs**

The school has online logins for Sumdog, Times table Rock stars, Spelling Shed and Reading Eggs all of which can be used at home. Sumdog and Spelling shed will be set every week. The other online programs don't have to be used at home but are a good resource to use if they would like to access. Teachers might give one as an optional task for the term (for example Reading eggs). **Reception children will get their Seesaw log-ins at the start of the year and all the other ones after Christmas.**

## **Support**

If your child needs any additional resources i.e. paper, pencils etc to complete their homework, please contact their class teacher. Class teachers will also be offer support to your child, if there are struggling to complete their homework or use Seesaw. If you are struggling to use Seesaw or are struggling with your IT equipment, then please contact the office and we can offer support or an alternative approach to homework.