

## **AJPS Homework Policy**

Homework provides a valuable link between home and school. It gives parents the opportunity to support their child and to be involved in his/her progress. Homework reinforces current or previous classwork. It is set by the class teacher according to the age and ability of each child.

Your child should be able to complete homework with a good degree of independence. If your child experiences a problem with homework please contact the class teacher.

You can support your child by giving encouragement, checking presentation of work, going over set spellings and reading with them or discussing set reading. Please sign your child's homework diary daily.

### **Frequency and Duration of Homework**

Homeworks are set Monday – Thursday. Children work at different speeds but as a general guide:-

- Year 1: Should spend no more than 10 minutes a night. Homeworks are mostly practical.
- Year 2 + 3: Should spend about 15 minutes a night
- Year 4 + 5: Should spend about 20-30 minutes a night
- Year 6 + 7: Should spend 30-40 minutes a night

**Reading** - is set nightly for Years 1 - 3 and 2 - 3 times a week, with longer passages set, for Years 4 - 7.

**Spellings** – with a spelling activity each night are set for Years 3 - 7.

**Written Homework** – this will include a minimum of one literacy and one numeracy activity a week. It may also include other areas of the curriculum, project work, a learning homework or a practical activity.

**Remember** – Each child learns at his/her own pace and so you should never compare your child's progress to another child. The class teacher uses their professional judgement to set suitable homework which will reinforce and build on your child's learning.

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