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St Martin's C of E Primary and Nursery School HOME LEARNING POLICY

INTENT

The aim of home learning is to help the children develop skills and attitudes they need for successful life-long learning. It forms an essential part of 'learning to learn' both in school and at home. As such the active involvement of parents and carers in their child's learning journey is vital.

IMPLEMENT

We expect parents and carers to share a book with their child every day as this is a very important way to improve your child's life chances and access to learning.

This could be:

- Reading your child a story
- Listening to them read their school reading book 'A Celebratory Read'
- Sharing their school library book

Children progress from 'Little Wandle' to Accelerated Reader as they make their way through school.

In EYFS staff will regularly share your child's learning with you through Tapestry and Parent/Teacher meetings and suggest ways in which you can support your child at home.

From Year 1 upwards homework will be set weekly on School Spider or on Google Classroom for older children. In addition to reading with your child each day there will be a weekly maths and in Key Stage Two a Reading task, which should take no longer than 20 minutes each to complete. Parents are welcome to contact teachers via School Spider with any questions or concerns they may have.

As children progress through school, we expect them to take greater responsibility for their home learning, and in year 5 and 6, where homework isn't completed on time, children will catch up in school. Please encourage your child to find a quiet time to engage with their home learning, as this will prepare them for the expectations of home learning at secondary school.

In order to support learning at home, knowledge planners with key information related to the topics that children are learning about in class are available under the

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'Classes' tab on our website. Teachers will be delighted to see any further learning related to these planners.

Home learning is not exclusively the tasks set by the class teacher but also includes those wider experiences that children enjoy, e.g.:-

- Experiences at Brownies and Cubs
- A family celebration
- A visit to Dartmoor, the beach, woodland, etc

A record of these experiences either in writing, drawing or through photographs will be celebrated and shared in school.

IMPACT

Home learning needs to be a positive experience which promotes a love of learning and supports children to secure essential knowledge and skills.

POLICY REVIEW

Policy Review Term:	Annual
Lead member of staff responsible for review:	Headteacher
Lead Governor responsible for review:	Not applicable – staff review only
Date policy adopted:	June 2012
Dates policy reviewed:	April 2013, September 2014, April 2015, 26th April 2016, June 2018, 10th June 2019, 1st March 2021, 18th February 2022, October 2023
Dates policy amended between reviews:	December 2018 (Homework to be set weekly instead of on Mondays)