



Coaley Primary Academy
HOME LEARNING POLICY

Review Date: March 2023

Next Review Date: March 2025

At Coaley Academy we believe that learning at home plays an essential role in children’s education. We believe that homework should:

- Strengthen links between home and school
- share with parents how we are teaching and what their child is learning
- help children to practise basic everyday-skills such as reading, spellings, phonics and times tables so children have the fluency and basic skills to thrive in school.
- enable children to practise learned skills from school, at home, getting them ready for the next phase of their education
- be set regularly for pupils although some temporary adjustments can be made for pupils with SEND on an individual basis

At Coaley, homework is based around the key theme of developing pupils fluency in basic skills and to contribute to the work learnt in school.

Fluency homework to practise English and maths key skills

Fluency homework is where the children practise a skill or task which requires regular practise. This includes practising with reading, phonics work, learning spellings or maths facts or maths practise. This is expected to be done regularly across the week. This is to be signed by the parents in the home learning book. Class agreed sanctions and rewards are in place to actively encourage this.

Below are the expectations of fluency practise that children are expected to practise at home.

Fluency homework expectations are as follows:

Robins - YR	About 10 minutes a day – includes reading and phonics
Robins/Starlings - Years 1 and 2	About 15-20 minutes a day – includes reading, phonics, spellings and maths
Starlings/Owls - Years 3 and 4	About 20-30 minutes a day – includes reading, spellings and maths
Owls - Years 5 and 6	Up to 30 minutes a day – includes reading, spellings and maths

Fluency-activity homework expectations are as follows:

YR	Read at least 5 x a week, Phonics and practise of sight vocabulary of key words
Year 1 & 2	Read at least 5 x a week Spellings Six in six – six calculations in six minutes Numberbots
Year 3 & 4	Read at least 5 x a week Spellings Six-in-six – six calculations in six minutes



	Timestable Rock Stars
Year 5 & 6	Read at least 5 x a week Spellings Six-in-six– six calculations in six minutes Timestable Rock Stars

The School will ensure that:

- homework tasks are structured and the purpose explained to the pupils
- homework is matched to the needs of pupils
- there is consistent practice across the school
- homework is given regularly so that everyone knows what to expect each week
- pupils and parents are clear about what they need to do
- there are high expectations

Each child has a Home Learning diary – this ensures consistency in practice across the school and allows the teacher to monitor the level of parental support in their child’s learning. We firmly believe that reading and knowing basic skills are too important not to practice at home and so sanctions and rewards are in place in each class to encourage children to actively engage in home/school learning as agreed. These are age appropriate and agreed with the children.

The implementation of this policy will be monitored, evaluated and reviewed every two years by the governing body.