

St. Ninian's Primary School Home Learning Policy



“Parents, carers and families are by far the most important influences in a child's life. Their support can play a vital role at all stages of education.” (Education Scotland, 2016)

Approaches to Sharing Learning

St Ninian's Primary School encourages and supports families to be involved with their children's learning through a variety of opportunities such as: Home Learning activities, Learning Showcases, GLOW, Class Twitter Accounts, Class Dojo, School Performances, Parent's Evenings and Reporting, and School and Class Newsletters.

How can families support Home Learning?

Home Learning tasks and deadlines can be flexible, when appropriate, to meet the needs of every child. The most important thing that families can do is get involved in their children's learning by:

- Encouraging and supporting children to discuss their learning
- Provide a suitable environment and appropriate time for Home Learning to be supervised and completed

Feedback and Communication

Home Learning activities will usually be communicated via Communication Diaries or Home Learning Activity Sheet depending on the child's stage and teacher.

Families may wish to provide appropriate feedback from time to time e.g. by commenting on how the learner has coped with the task or simply by initialling the diary or sheet. All comments and feedback are welcomed.

Teachers will provide Home Learning tasks that are: challenging, meaningful, relevant and varied, including a range of opportunities to develop independent learning.

In class, a range of approaches, directed by the class teacher, will be used to provide appropriate feedback. Depending on the nature of the task and class stage this may involve: peer showcase and discussion, verbal or written teacher feedback or self-assessment.

Home Learning Tasks are intended to be a valuable and enjoyable opportunity for families to share learning.

“Parents are the first and on-going educators of their own children and effective home-school partnerships are essential to ensure that each child gets the most out of their school and the education system.” (Education Scotland, 2016)