SANDFIELD PARK SCHOOL HOMEWORK POLICY INCLUDING ACE

The school is committed to working with parents to support pupils in every aspect of their education. We recognise that extra work at home can be a source of anxiety for some pupils. For other pupils doing work at home particularly, where they see siblings doing the same, is a very positive experience.

The staff and parents at Sandfield Park have agreed that 'Homework' can include work on behaviour, communication, independent living skills as well as core skills in literacy numeracy ICT and other areas of the curriculum. Individual pupil targets are priorities for learning and can be practised at home as well as at school. Targets are set and assessed regularly and are discussed at parents meetings and reviews/ EHCP meetings.

The home-school book is the regular day-to-day contact for parents on the Sandfield site to be kept informed about work covered and for the school to be aware of issues in the home. ACE parents are usually contacted via phone.

The School website shows what areas of learning each class is undertaking on the Sandfield site each week and parents can use this to talk to their children about the work that they are doing with some follow up work at home if this is appropriate. To support this class teachers will put on key website addresses that pupils can use at home if parents wish them to practise academic skills and their targets.

ACE teachers will set homework for English, Maths, Science, History and French once a week. Pupils are expected to write this in their homework diary and to at least attempt this work. Other subjects such as Art, PSHE and ICT may also set homework depending on the projects taking place at that time.

Where pupils are utilising augmentative or assistive communication systems i.e. PECs, Makaton, switches, communication aids, the school will ensure that parents are aware of and supported with using those systems in the home.