

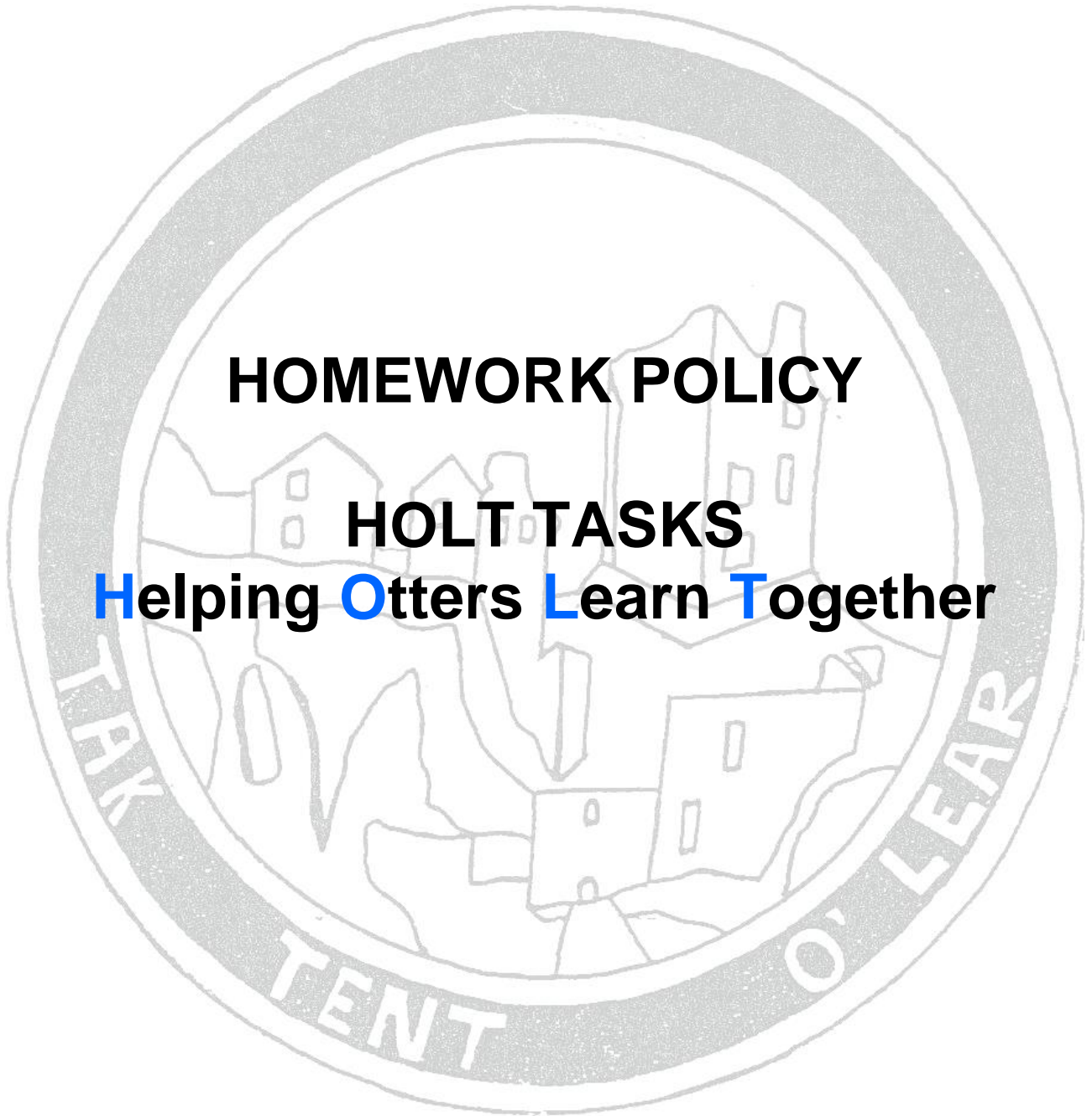


Dunnottar Primary School

HOMEWORK POLICY

HOLT TASKS

Helping Otters Learn Together



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Introduction

Should primary aged pupils be set homework from their class teacher weekly? This question has been debated at length in the profession for decades. There has been a significant amount of research into the impact and value of homework over recent years. As a school we have considered the latest research and adapted our policy relating to homework accordingly.

So, what does this mean for your child? During their time at Dunnottar School they will be expected to carry out a number of tasks at home which link to the work being completed in class.

1. Reading

Pupils will have set pages to read at home with support from an adult or older sibling.

2. Maths

A suggested list of maths activities will be distributed which link to the work being completed in class. This list will be updated on a termly basis.

3. Life Skills

Pupils will work towards completing their 'Skills for Life' level over the course of the year. Each level can be found in the front section of their homelink diaries.

Year	Level
Nursery	Red
1	Orange
2	Yellow
3	Green
4	Blue
5	Bronze
6	Silver
7	Gold

4. Project

Occasional topic-related one-off tasks.

5. JASS Award

Junior Award Scheme for Schools (JASS) is a progressive learning programme for young people which has been designed to recognise wider achievement.

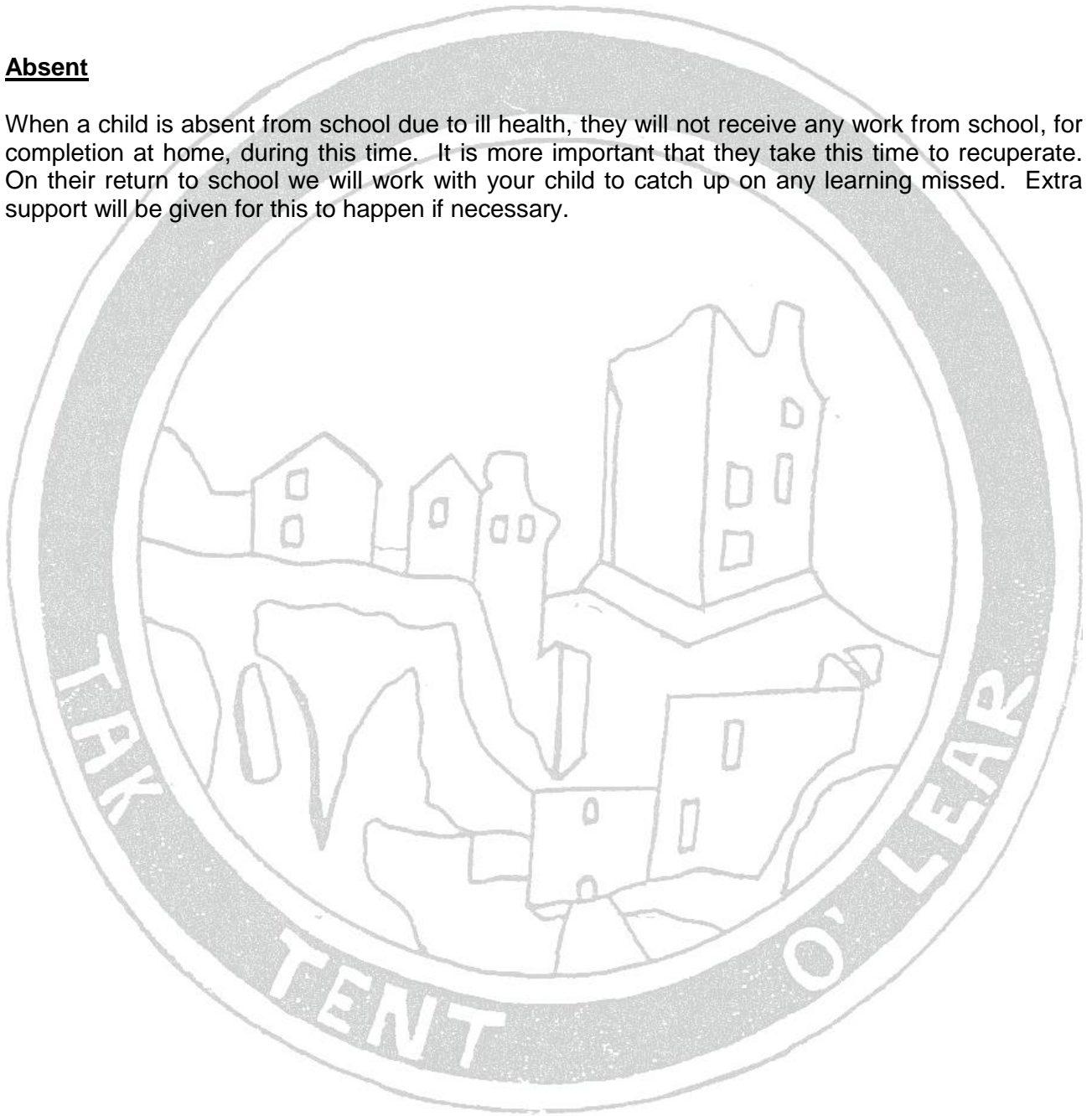
JASS develops the whole individual by offering recognition in four key areas – regular physical activity (**Get Active, Stay Active**), exploring a personal interest (**My Interests**), working for the good of the community or the environment (**Me and My World**) and completing an outdoor activity or challenge (**Adventure**) and is designed so that participants move through the levels with increasing commitment, learning, and challenge. The JASS Award Credits can be gained through school and out-of-school based activities.

Home Link Book

- When reading tasks have been completed at home we ask that the Parent/Carer supporting the reading session signs the diary to confirm it has been done.
- Homelink diaries and reading books should be taken to school daily either in a book bag (which can be purchased from the school office) or in a plastic wallet.
- Homelink diaries should be used by both home and school when messages need to be conveyed. Please note that the class teacher will not necessarily look in the diary daily and therefore any messages which are urgent should be given directly to the school office.

Absent

When a child is absent from school due to ill health, they will not receive any work from school, for completion at home, during this time. It is more important that they take this time to recuperate. On their return to school we will work with your child to catch up on any learning missed. Extra support will be given for this to happen if necessary.



Article 29

Your education should help you use and develop your talents and abilities. It should also help you learn to live peacefully, protect the environment and respect other people.

