



SARUM HALL SCHOOL

HOMEWORK POLICY

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INTRODUCTION

Homework is an important part of a child's education. There are several reasons for setting homework:

- To give further practice from work covered during in lessons;
- To prepare for the next lesson;
- To help the child work independently outside school hours.

PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT

In order for a child to complete her homework successfully parental support is vital. This includes:

- Setting a regular time for the work to be done;
- Providing a suitable environment, ensuring that she has a desk/table on which to work;
- Checking the planner (Y2-Y6) to establish what needs to be done;
- Helping her to organise her time so that the work is completed on time;
- Monitoring her work and showing a positive interest;
- Ensuring that the work is completed to the best of her ability in the time;
- Communicating via email/planner with the relevant specialist teacher about any difficulties.

HOMEWORK PLATFORMS

- EYFS and KSI homework may be issued in class as worksheets or to be completed on subject specific websites such as Purple Mash.
- KS2 Homework may be issued in class as worksheets or posted on Google Classroom. Information of all homework will be written down in the children's planner and copies of worksheets issued in class will be posted on Google Classroom for parents and pupils to refer to.

* The timings stated below are the **total time** to be spent on all the homework each night, **not on each subject**.

** Reading is to be completed in addition to set homework.

Year Group	Total Time (Mins) *	Details
Nursery		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Autumn 2: weekly maths or phonic games. • Spring: CVC words and reading books when appropriate. • Summer: CVC words and reading books when appropriate.
Reception		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Daily reading • Phonics / Spellings from RWI
Year 1	15 – 20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Daily reading. • One maths worksheet & one English worksheet per week. • Weekly spelling list (Phonics / Spellings from RWI)
Year 2	30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Daily reading • Four subjects per week (weekly spellings, English, maths, science/humanities)
Year 3	30 – 40	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Daily reading • One subject per night (weekly spellings, science, humanities, maths and English)

Year 4	30 – 40	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Daily reading • One subject per night (weekly spellings, science/humanities, French, maths, English, and VR & NVR) 		
Year 5	40 – 60	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Daily reading • One or two subjects per night (weekly spellings, science, humanities, French, maths, English and VR & NVR) 		
Year 6	60	<table border="1"> <tr> <td> <p>Autumn term and during entrance exam period in November/December/January</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Daily Reading • Only maths and English homework • Current affairs/ VR and NVR/ Interview practice </td> <td> <p>After entrance exams</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Daily Reading. • One or two subjects per night (weekly spellings, science, humanities, French, maths, English Play preparation. </td> </tr> </table>	<p>Autumn term and during entrance exam period in November/December/January</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Daily Reading • Only maths and English homework • Current affairs/ VR and NVR/ Interview practice 	<p>After entrance exams</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Daily Reading. • One or two subjects per night (weekly spellings, science, humanities, French, maths, English Play preparation.
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ASSESSMENT WEEKS

During assessment weeks, pupils will not be set homework. Additionally, the Y6 pupils do not have homework in the Autumn term and first Spring half term in the lead up to the 11+ and CE entrance exams.

ABSENT AND HOMEWORK

Unless there are exceptional circumstances, pupils who are absent due to religious observation or short-term illness will not be set or be expected to complete homework tasks. Where necessary, the pupils will be supported to catch up with any knowledge, skills and understanding they have missed on their return within school hours.

MISSING HOMEWORK

Teachers will keep a track of the pupils who have completed their homework. The pupils will be reminded of the expectations if they failed to return homework. If a couple of pieces of homework have not been returned, parents will be informed via email.

HOLIDAY HOMEWORK

The pupils are expected to read during the half term breaks. Y5 and Y6 at some points in the year get extra English and maths tasks to support their preparation for the 11+ exams.

Year	Autumn Half Term	Christmas Holiday	Spring Half Term	Easter Holiday	Summer Half Term	Summer Holiday
N	Reading	Reading	Reading	Reading	Reading	Reading
R	Reading	Reading Spelling	Reading	Reading Spelling	Reading	Reading
Y1	Reading	Reading	Reading	Reading	Reading	Reading
Y2	Reading	Reading	Reading	Reading	Reading	Reading
Y3	Reading	Reading	Reading	Reading	Reading	Reading
Y4	Reading	Reading Music Project	Reading	Reading	Reading	Reading
Y5	Reading	English & Maths Review Tasks	English Tasks Maths Review work	English & Maths Review Tasks	English & Maths Review Tasks	English & Maths II+ papers
Y6	English & Maths II+ Papers	English & Maths II+ papers	Music Project	Music Project English- Play lines	English- Play lines	