



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.

HOMework EXPECTATIONS

EYFS and KS1: Homework may be issued in class as worksheets or set on subject-specific websites such as Purple Mash.

KS2: Homework may be issued in class as worksheets or posted on Google Classroom. All homework should be recorded in the children's planner, and copies of worksheets will also be uploaded to Google Classroom for parents and pupils to access.

* The timings stated below are the <u>total time</u> to be spent on all the homework each night, <u>not</u> on each subject.									
** Reading is to be completed in addition to set homework.									
Year Group	Total Mins	Details							
Pre-Reception		Autumn: daily phonics and maths			Spring: CVC words and reading books when appropriate			Summer: CVC words and reading books when appropriate	
Reception		Daily reading			Phonics / Spellings from RWI			Letter formation.	
Year 1	15–20	Daily reading		One maths per week		one English per week		Weekly spelling list / handwriting (Phonics / Spellings from RWI)	
Year 2	30	Four subjects per week							
		Daily reading		Weekly SPaG English Application.		Maths basic skills Maths application / problem solving		Humanities	
Year 3	30–40	One subject per night							
		Daily reading		Weekly SPaG English Application		Maths basic skills Maths application / problem solving		Humanities	
Year 4	30–40	One subject per night							
		Daily reading		Weekly SPaG English Application		Maths basic skills Maths application / problem solving		Humanities VR/NVR	
Year 5	40–60	One or two subject per night							
		Daily reading		Weekly SPaG English Application		Maths basic skills Maths application / problem solving		Humanities VR/NVR	
Year 6	60	During entrance exam period in November – January. One or two subjects per night				After entrance exams			
		Daily Reading	Only maths & English	Current affairs / Interview practice	VR and NVR	Daily Reading	Weekly spellings English Play Prep	Maths application / problem solving	Humanities

PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT

Parental support is vital in enabling a child to complete homework successfully. This includes:

- Setting a regular time for the work to be done.
- Providing a suitable environment, ensuring that the child has a desk or table on which to work.
- Checking the planner (Years 2–6) to establish what needs to be completed.
- Helping the child to organise her time so that the work is completed on time.
- Monitoring her work and showing a positive interest.
- Encouraging her to complete the work to the best of her ability within the set time.
- Communicating with the relevant specialist teacher via email or the planner about any difficulties.

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, pupils will be supported to catch up with any knowledge, skills, or understanding they have missed once they return, within school hours.

MISSING HOMEWORK

Teachers will monitor homework completion. Pupils who fail to return homework will be reminded of the expectations. If two or more pieces of homework are not completed, parents will be informed via email.

HOLIDAY HOMEWORK

Pupils are expected to read regularly during half-term breaks. In addition, pupils in Years 5 and 6 may, at certain points in the year, be given extra English and Maths tasks to support their preparation for the 11+ examinations.

Year	Autumn Half Term	Christmas Holiday	Spring Half Term	Easter Holiday	Summer Half Term	Summer Holiday
Y5	Reading	English & Maths Review Tasks	English Tasks Maths Review work	English & Maths Review Tasks	English & Maths Review Tasks	English & Maths 11+ papers
Y6	English & Maths 11+ Papers	English & Maths 11+ papers		English – Play lines	English – Play lines	