



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 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 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, <u>not</u> on each subject.										
** Reading is to be completed in addition to set homework.										
Year Group	Total Mins	Details								
Nursery		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

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.

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
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	