



St Mary's Catholic First School

Homework Policy



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We believe that homework should provide opportunities for children to respond to the constructive feedback and marking of class based curriculum activities.

Homework

Homework at St Mary's may be given in a variety of forms:

- Speaking & Listening. (Discussion of the weekly Statement to Live By)
- Reading
- Weekly spellings
- Numeracy tasks
- Mini projects - finding out information
- Preparation of work to come
- Consolidation of skills already learnt i.e. practice and revision

Our aims in setting homework are:

- to strengthen the partnership between home and school
- to consolidate skills
- to extend school learning
- to exploit resources for learning at home
- to improve children's attitude towards learning
- to develop discipline of studying alone (KS2)
- to boost confidence and the academic achievement of every pupil.

Whilst we do feel that it is important that children develop the routine of doing homework it should not be used to the extent that it restricts the time available for other out of school activities which help to develop the physical and social elements of the whole child such as sporting activities, Cubs, Brownies etc.

Our suggested age appropriate time to spent on 'daily' homework tasks:

Foundation Stage (Reception) 5 – 10 minutes daily.

Key Stage 1 (Years 1 & 2) 10 – 15 minutes daily Lower key Stage 2 (Years 3 & 4) 20 - 30 minutes daily.