

St. Peter's R.C. Primary School



Growing Together in Christ.

"We are a Catholic School. Our special purpose is to live, learn and work together in the presence of Christ."

Homework Policy

We define homework as any work completed outside of school lesson time either independently or with the support of family members. At St Peter's RC Primary School we would like to continue to develop our strong commitment to parental involvement and we see homework as one way of developing this partnership.

Purpose of homework

- To inform parents about the work going on in class
- To reinforce learning taking place in the classroom
- To further develop a love for learning
- To provide additional opportunities for parents and children to work together at home
- To provide an opportunity to rehearse key skills such as times tables, doubling facts, spellings, reading etc
- To foster good habits of organisation and self-discipline in preparation for the demands of high school

Planning, preparation and expectation

Homework will be set by the class teacher

In Reception, phonics homework is set daily and children should read their home reading book every night

In Years 1 and 2, homework will be set on a Friday and collected in the following Friday. Weekly homework will be home reading, spellings (with a spelling test on the Friday) and a maths activity (linked to the work completed in class)

Before Easter, in Year 2, weekly comprehension homework will be sent home in addition to reading and spellings.

In Years 3, 4, 5, 6, homework will be set on a Friday and collected in the following Friday. Weekly homework will be home reading, a weekly comprehension activity, spellings (with a spelling test on the Friday) and a maths activity (linked to the work completed in class)

During spring term in year 6, Maths and English homework is set daily to be completed for the following day

Homework will be monitored by the class teacher and marked appropriately

Homework will be planned to complement, not just complete, classroom learning

Homework will be made available for all pupils - separate homework tasks will be set for those with special educational needs

Completed homework should be presented neatly and handed in on time

Children are encouraged to complete homework

Termly rewards, set by class teachers, will be awarded to those children who complete their homework regularly

Parental Involvement

We recognise that the partnership with parents is essential to the homework programme. School will maintain regular dialogue with parents through reading records, spelling test scores and through online learning platforms.

Parental Support

Develop a routine for when homework will be completed

Provide a reasonably peaceful and suitable place in which your child can complete their homework

Give due importance to non-written tasks such as listening to your child read and assisting them in learning their weekly spellings

Make it clear to your child that homework is important to their learning

Encourage your child to complete their homework and praise them when it is completed

Take an interest and become actively involved in homework activities

Homework is set to support the work which is carried out in school. If you feel your child is becoming frustrated or upset when carrying out a task, stop, indicate on the sheet or inform teachers via SeeSaw/Tapestry. The teacher will then follow up with your child.

If 3 consecutive pieces of homework have not been handed in, parents will be informed.