



ST. BEDE'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL



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ST. BEDE'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL	DATE AGREED	SUMMER 2022
POLICY AND PROCEDURE STATEMENT	REVISION DATE	SUMMER 2024
HOMEWORK POLICY		
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SIGNATURES:

..... (HEAD TEACHER)

..... (CHAIR OF COMMITTEE)

At St. Bede's we believe that a reasonable amount of homework, based on sound educational principles, will support and enhance children's learning.

Our expectation of homework is that it will further enrich the learning experiences we provide for children and will help us to achieve the principles set out in our Mission and Curriculum Statements.

We recognise the importance of an active educational partnership between home and school. Homework is one way in which we seek to foster this partnership.

Homework is best viewed as "any activity that seeks to make effective links between home and school in supporting children's learning and development."

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Why Do Homework?

Well planned and structured homework can:

- Encourage pupils to develop independent study skills and to develop a sense of self-discipline, responsibility and good working habits.
- Provide opportunities for individualised work.
- Foster enjoyment in reading and develop fluency and expression.
- Enable consolidation of learning that has already taken place.
- Provide extra practice when needed.
- Help parents gain an insight into their child's school work.

What Kinds Of Homework Might My Child Have?

- The reinforcement of basic language and mathematical skills.
- Activities undertaken with family and friends.
- Individual research activities.
- The completion of activities that have not been finished in the classroom during the time allocated.

How Much Homework Is Expected?

Year Group	English	Maths	Other
EYFS	Reading (including phonics & keywords) 5 minutes daily	Mental Maths: 5 minutes daily	Occasional topic-related task
1	Reading 10 minutes daily. Spellings weekly	Mental Maths: 5 minutes daily	10 minute task weekly
2	Reading 10 minutes daily. Spellings weekly	Mental Maths: 5 minutes daily	15 minute task weekly
3	Reading: 10 minutes daily. Spelling: 5 minutes daily	Mental Maths: 5 minutes daily MyMaths.co.uk task: 10 minutes. Weekly	Written or topic based task: approximately 20 minutes weekly
4	Reading: 10 minutes daily. Spelling: 5 minutes daily.	Mental Maths: 10 minutes daily MyMaths.co.uk task: 10 minutes. Weekly	Written or topic based task: approximately 30 minutes weekly.
5	Reading: 10 minutes daily. Spelling: 5 minutes daily.	Mental Maths: 10 minutes daily MyMaths.co.uk task: 10 minutes. Weekly	Written or topic based task: approximately 40 minutes weekly.

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6	Reading: 10 minutes daily. Spelling: 5 minutes daily. SPAG.com task: 10 minutes.	Mental Maths: 10 minutes daily. MyMaths.co.uk task: 10 minutes. Weekly	Written or topic based task: up to 1 hour weekly.
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Other considerations:

- The homework routine outlined above will not take place in the school holidays. However, in some year groups (such as Year 6, Year 2 and Year 1), revision homework maybe set during holiday times which are near to national assessments.
- Occasional, optional holiday homework which is topic based, may sometimes be set.
- Should there be a specific reason why a pupil may not be able to complete his/her homework, a short note will be sufficient to let the teacher know why.
- Teachers will make contact with the parents of pupils who persistently fail to complete homework to ascertain why and to seek a solution.
- Not all homework will be marked, however pupils (and parents) should be made aware of the outcomes of any weekly tests that pupils have prepared for, via their homework.

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