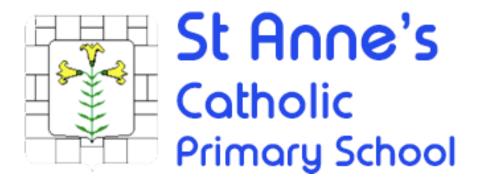
Homework Policy January 2024



The subject of homework inspires strong opinions. At St Anne's, we have reviewed the best and latest research on the topic and have used their findings to inform our policy.

Our Aims at St Anne's

Evidence shows that homework is largely ineffective with young, primary school children and a major cause of stress for both children and their parents. However, when it is given to this group, it is most effective when involving the practice or rehearsal of subject matter already taught. It is therefore our aim that all homework set at St Anne's

- Helps to develop a positive attitude to learning, increasing self-motivation and independence
- Encourages the development of personal interests that go beyond the confines of the National Curriculum
- Communicates that learning takes place not only in school
- Enables parents to work in partnership with us in furthering children's education

Our aims are made real by providing homework that

- Focuses on the practising and revising of key skills taught in class e.g. reading, spelling and mental maths
- Encourages children to broaden their interest in work being done at school by using sources of information available at home e.g. reading and research
- Provides an opportunity for and encourages the involvement of parents

Homework for Children in EYFS and KS1

These are the broad expectations for work done at home on a weekly basis.

Reception: Daily reading

Year 1: Mental Maths/Learn Its Number facts; daily reading for a minimum of 10 minutes per session; spelling using phonics sounds and tricky words

Year 2: Learn Its; Times Tables Rockstars (from Summer Term); daily reading for a minimum of 10 minutes per session; spelling; SATs questions available via school website from Spring 2 and/or in hard copy on request

Homework for Children in KS2

Year 3: Times Tables Rockstars; CLIC learn its; reading 3-5 times a week for a minimum of 20 minutes per session; spelling

Year 4: Times Tables Rockstars; CLIC learn its; reading 3-5 times a week for a minimum of 20 minutes per session; spelling

Year 5: Times Tables Rockstars; CLIC learn its; reading 3-5 times a week for a minimum of 20 minutes per session; spelling

Year 6: Times Tables Rockstars; Maths revision; reading 3-5 times a week for a minimum of 20 minutes per session; spelling; SAT revision tasks from January covering spelling, grammar and arithmetic

We also send home knowledge organisers half termly for all subjects (with the exception of Maths and RE) to all year groups with the intention that they be utilized at home to reinforce learning and to assist in regular retrieval of facts and vocabulary.