



**St Charles Catholic Primary School
Homework Policy**

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Mission statement

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At St Charles' we pray, love and learn together as one school family, with Christ at our centre. We create and experience joy every day in our home, our school and our parish.

Vision

Children will leave St. Charles':

- With a love for learning.
- With Christ in their hearts.
- With outstanding manners.
- Showing care and respect for all.
- Having achieved their best.
- With a sense of pride and confidence.
- With a deep sense of responsibility.
- With life-long skills to enhance their future.

Values:

Everyone at St. Charles' will be:

- Compassionate
- Aspirational
- Determined
- Enthusiastic
- Humble
- Friendly

Homework at St Charles Catholic Primary School

At St Charles Catholic Primary School, we believe that homework should:

- Develop an effective partnership between school and parents in pursuing success for all
- Encourage children to develop the confidence, self-discipline and motivation needed to study on their own
- Be accessible to all children
- Be open ended to allow children's strengths to be used
- Be a positive experience

The Role of the Teacher

- To provide a clear explanation of homework tasks and give guidance if necessary on how they can assist their child
- To ensure that homework is consistently set across classes
- To ensure that any home work is purposeful and links directly to the taught curriculum
- To reward and praise children for completed homework
- To mark homework and give feedback to pupils

The Role of Parents and Carers

- To support the school by ensuring that their child attempts their homework
- To provide a suitable place for their child to carry out their homework
- To encourage praise their child when they have completed their homework
- To make it clear that they value homework and support the school by explaining how it can help learning

English Homework

In Key Stage 2 children will have a piece of English homework every week which they will then have 1 week to complete. This may be reading comprehension, a writing task or a spelling punctuation and grammar task. This should reinforce learning which is taking place in the classroom.

Reading Homework

It is expected that children will read their school reading book at home each day. Reading with your child is vital. Research shows that it's the single most important thing you can do to help your child's education.

Spellings

Children are given a list of spellings appropriate to their year group. Children will be tested weekly on a selection of these spellings to help reinforce common words.

Phonics

In Key Stage 1 children may come home with different sounds which they are learning at school. You may wish to practise these so that children find them easier to recognise as part of word building and learning to read.

Maths Homework

Maths homework will be set weekly from Year 2 to Year 6. From Year 2, children will have their own log in to 'My Maths,' where homework will be set online:

www.mymaths.co.uk

Children may also access other activities and practise basic skills using this website. Teachers may choose to set paper based homework instead of My Maths homework on some occasions.

In Reception and Year 1, maths homework will be set on a regular basis, and may revolve around number facts, or calculation strategies they have been practising in class.

Times-table practise

By the end of Key Stage 2 it is an expectation that children should be able to quickly recall times-table facts up to 12 x 12. Practising these at home on an ongoing basis helps to assist learning of children in the classroom. Resources to support include superhero timetable practice – available on our website, and Timestable Rockstars; every child has a login.

Homework Timetable

	Day					Other information	Homework Guidance
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday		
Class 1					Spellings	<i>Children should read their reading book as often as possible.</i>	Up to 50 minutes per week
Class 2	My Maths				Spellings, sentences or grammar, reading		
Class 3			My Maths	Spellings or English homework (grammar or comprehension)		<i>Children should also be reading and practising times-tables when possible.</i>	Up to 1 ½ to 2 hours per week
Class 4	Spellings		My Maths	English homework (grammar or			

				comprehen sion)			
Class 5		Spellings	My Maths or additional maths	English			Up to 2 ½ hours per week
	Year 6 may have additional homework to help prepare them for end of year tests.						