



St Mary's School Home Learning Guidance



Home learning is set on Wednesdays for the following Wednesday to allow parents the freedom to choose whether completing tasks during week day evenings or weekends best suit their family schedules. An overview of tasks will be sent home each week on paper or via Teams/Seesaw.

We choose to set tasks which consolidate learning that has taken place in previous weeks or during the current topic so that children feel confident to complete tasks set. If your child struggles with any homework please do see the class teacher who will help address any problems.

Reading

Reception & Key Stage 1	All children are expected to read five times a week. In their earlier stages of reading this needs to be with an adult and we ask that you use the reading record book to let us know what they have read and to make any comments
Key Stage 2	As the child becomes more confident and can confidently read independently, we would ask that they still read five times a week but that on three of these occasions you either listen to them read a portion of the text and/or ask them questions or discuss vocabulary

Leaflets with suggested questions for different stages of reading will be sent out with your child's book. Videos of how to support your child at different levels will be posted on the website in the next few weeks. Please continue to use journals to inform us of what they have read as this forms a valuable part of our records.

Year	Spelling A leaflet of multisensory ways to learn spellings will be sent out at the start of each year	Maths	Topic
R 1	Reception and Year 1 will have a bank of 'red' words (the tricky words that can't be easily sounded out eg 'they') to learn to read and then spell.	In Reception, Numicon home learning tasks will be sent out weekly. Children will be given Numbots logins from the Spring term onwards.	All classes will send home topic activity ideas linked to our Cornerstones Curriculum for each half term. They give an opportunity for your child to pursue projects and extend their learning. Children are encouraged to share their learning with the class. They may also be asked to show their work to Mrs Batorska or Mrs Samuel!
2	These year groups will have a list of up to 10 words each week. The list may be following a certain spelling rule or contain some of the statutory words for their year group. If your child finds spelling very challenging their class teacher may provide alternative words or a shorter list of spellings.	For Year 1,2,3,& 4, Maths home learning activities are linked to things at home, the school calendar and cultural events to give purpose and link to real life. They aim to stimulate mathematical conversations, reasoning and problem solving.	
3		Teachers will also set online Numbots and Times table Rock Stars practice to help children consolidate their number facts & times tables. By the end of Year 4 all children should be able to recall tables up to 12x12	
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5	Children in Year 5 and 6 will still access Times Table Rock Stars for practice but will also be given additional tasks that link to key learning for example measurement or time. In Year 6 these tasks may link to revision in the lead up to SATs.		
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There will be an opportunity to discuss home learning at parent meetings.