



## Homework Policy

<b>This policy replaces</b>	Homework Policy May 2019
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<b>Reviewer</b>	SLT and teachers Approved by Standards Committee

## **PRINCIPLES**

This policy has been developed under the guiding principles of the schools wider aims and values as a Church School.

‘All Growing Together in God’s Love’

## **School Aims**

### **For children, staff and governors to be:**

- Successful, engaged learners who are knowledgeable, skilled, enjoy learning, make strong progress and achieve
- Confident, articulate individuals who can lead safe, healthy and hopeful lives
- Responsible citizens who make a positive contribution to society
- Outward facing; keen to serve our parents and our wider parish and community; all working together for the common good
- Aspiring to ‘live life in all its fullness’ John 10.10
- Inclusive; welcoming and cherishing everyone.

## **Our school values**

Helpfulness and Relationships

Generosity and Thankfulness

Forgiveness and Compassion

Hope and Trust

Courage and Perseverance

Respect and Dignity

These values underpin our approach to behaviour and relationship in school and will guide the behaviour of children and adults in school:

### **In our school, with God’s help we:**

- Respect ourselves, value others and our environment and show compassion in all we do
- Build strong relationships based on good manners, trust, generosity and forgiveness
- Follow instructions and always try our hardest even when we find things difficult
- Think carefully about the choices we make and try to be wise and courageous
- Will count our blessings and be grateful for the good things in our world and trust that as each day closes, we have been better people than we were the day before

In line with our vision and values outlined above, we recognise the importance of home/school working. Research indicates that carefully considered homework which extends the learning that has occurred through the day is hugely beneficial for children. Homework is also a way of involving parents/carers in the homework of their children as well as supporting children to become independent learners.

**Aims of Homework**

- Ensure a consistency of approach throughout the schools
- Ensure progression towards independence and an individual responsibility
- Ensure the needs of the individual are taken into account
- Ensure that parents/carers understand our expectations of them
- Provide opportunities for children to review and reinforce learning in school**
- Provide opportunities for parents, children and the school to work in partnership
- Provide opportunities for children and parents to share learning experiences

**Reading**

Reading is strongly encouraged as a regular homework (minimum 5 times a week). At Market Harborough CE Academy, we recognise the importance of reading. We hope that by making reading a regular part of homeworking that it will help our children to become strong readers and instil a love of reading that stay with them.

**Frequency and Type of Homework**

The table below gives the agreed amount of homework for children. Homework will be sent home each Friday and returned to school by the following Wednesday at the latest.

EYFS	Year 1 and 2	Year 3 and 4	Year 5 and 6
Paragraph explaining this weeks learning written by the teacher Maths, English, Theme.	Paragraph explaining this weeks learning written by the teacher Maths, English, Theme.	Paragraph explaining this weeks learning written by the teacher Maths, English, Theme.	Paragraph explaining this weeks learning written by the teacher Maths, English, Theme.
Reading [5 x a week]	Reading [5 x a week]	Reading [5 x a week]	Reading [5 x a week]
Maths activity linked to weekly learning.	Spelling <i>'These are the spellings we've been learning at school, please practise these again at home'...</i>  Key number facts – quick recall, fluency, retrieval  Y2 SATS revision	Spelling <i>'These are the spellings we've been learning at school, please practise these again at home'...</i>  Times Tables Rockstars or written tables practise	Spelling <i>'These are the spellings we've been learning at school, please practise these again at home'...</i>  Times Tables Rockstars or written tables practise  Currently Year 6 are starting SATS revision

**Every child in year 1-6 will have a homework book which contains the week's homework. This will be sent home each Friday in school and returned on Wednesday at the latest.**

Children should be encouraged to discuss any problems they are having with their teacher. It is not acceptable for children to struggle excessively, causing upset at home.

Opportunities are given for children who wish to do some of their homework at school.

If a child does not complete their homework on a regular basis, these concerns will be discussed with parents.

As children move through primary school, the amount of homework they are expected to complete will increase.