

Homework Policy

Information and guidance for Parents and Carers

"Homework" is an all-embracing term used in our school to cover the opportunities provided by the school for parents and children to spend time together on a focused activity at home. Children spend around 12-13% of their lives in school, so there is a lot of learning and fun time that they can have at home!

We believe it is important that parents and carers are encouraged to share these learning experiences with their children, at home, supporting the work being undertaken in school.

When requested, we will provide ideas and information for parents to join in actively in their child's education. This will include curriculum days for parents to learn more about the curriculum on offer to their children and at our Parent's Forum which are held once a term. We also encourage our Grandparents to come into school so that they can join in with every child's learning experience We will endeavour to give a reasonable amount of time for homework to be completed.

We offer the following guidance to parents related to the HW activities that children will be expected to complete during their time in St John Lloyd Primary School.

However undoubtedly, there will be occasions when work is not sent home as expected. This may be for a multitude of reasons, but, in these instances, parents and children will always have something to do with reading, spelling, learning mathematical through our My Maths and Bug Club online scheme.

For more information Please visit our **Classes Pages** http://www.stjohnlloydrcprimaryschool.co.uk/classpages.asp

These give all parents information about the work that their children will be undertaking along with class messages, examples of work and class photographs. This is aimed at increasing your knowledge of the curriculum.

Literacy HW - Reading with Bug Club

At SJL ALL pupils have an online library of books that are set at their level known as Bug Club. Each week our pupils are expected to read their books (not finish in Y4-5) (set by the class teacher) and complete their comprehensions/ activities that go with it. This 21st century scheme is a fantastic resource. If pupils do not have access to a tablet or computer then an afterschool club is provided every Monday. In this club we actively encourage parents of younger pupils to come along and read alongside their child.

What is Bug Club?

A brilliant reading programme only works if it's filled with truly fantastic books, which is why a tour of Bug Club is like a tour around a child's favourite book shop. What makes Bug Club so special is the fact that it's filled with books that children would choose themselves.

Bug Club is where **Shrek** rubs shoulders with **Doctor Who**, **Sarah and Duck** sit side by side with **Timmy Time** and **Batman** shares a shelf with **Wallace and Gromit**.

Bug Club's online reading world really makes Bug Club stand out from other reading programmes. The online reading world is home to all of the Bug Club eBooks, fun quizzes, games, and fantastic rewards that today's computer-savvy children simply love.

How to USE/ LOG IN BUG CLUB



For more information

http://www.pearsonschoolsandfecolleges.co.uk/Primary/Literacy/GuidedReading/BugClub/Structure/BugClubStructure.aspx

If your child has lost their log information please contact Mrs Smith in the Office.

Spelling HW- Nelson Spelling

In **literacy** classes pupils are mixed ability with spelling groups based on pupils spelling ages and their consistent understanding of spelling rules. The school uses Nelson Spelling. The book colour reflects the expected spelling patterns for that year group;

RED = Y1-2, YELLOW = Y2-3, PURPLE= Y3-4, BLUE= Y4, GREEN = Y5, ORANGE = Y6

Spelling words are given out every <u>FRIDAY</u>. Spelling Books will go home on a Friday and must be returned the following Friday for weekly Friday spelling test.

Numeracy HW- My Maths

Maths HW is provided through MY MATHS. Every <u>WEDNESDAY</u> My Maths is sent out to your child's MY MATHS log in and must be completed by the following Wednesday.

What is My Maths?

My Maths is an interactive online teaching and homework service. Each piece of interactive online homework has the lesson attached in the top corner that helps to explain methods to parents outside of the classroom. This provides an important consolidating link between school and home so parents can review their child's progress.

Please see the attached link for explanation of how to maximise homework in addition to set weekly HW by class teacher.

http://www.stjohnlloydrcprimaryschool.co.uk/cms/media/news/my_maths_help_sheet.pdf

How to USE/ LOG IN MYMATHS



Log in 1st Page

Child's log in



My portal

Username

Password

Log in

Remember SJL has an open door policy and communication between the school and parents is vital to us developing your child's education. If you would like to discuss any issues with the class teacher or pop in for a chat please book a time slot with Mrs Smith