



## Holy Cross School - Homework Policy

- All children from 1<sup>st</sup> Class – 6<sup>th</sup> Class have a homework diary which should be signed by parents every night.
- It is important that the length of time taken is written into the diary.
- Every Friday all classes from 1<sup>st</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> have a Spellings and Tables test.
- No class is limited to these guidelines.
- The amounts of homework and the times outlined below are GUIDELINES. It may take a child more or less time than outlined. There may from time to time be more or less homework given. The class teacher may choose to increase or decrease the amount of homework depending on the needs of the children at any given time.
- If your child has spent the suggested time on the homework but is not finished please sign the homework journal to let the teacher know that honest endeavour has been made and let the child finish rather than struggle on and become frustrated.
- If your child is having an on-going difficulty with homework given please contact the class teacher.

### Junior Infants – 10 - 15 minutes:

1. Reading – Irish and/or English.
2. Written Work – One subject every evening.  
Patterns, Sentences, Work Cards, Number Work.

### Senior Infants – 15 - 20 minutes:

1. Reading – Irish and/or English.
2. Written Work – One subject every evening - Patterns, Sentences, Work Cards, Number Work.

### 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Class – 25 - 30 minutes:

1. Reading – Irish and English.
2. Written Work – Irish and/or English and Maths every night  
Sums, questions/sentences – handwriting, work books, etc.
3. Spellings – As organised by days and weeks in the books
4. Tables: Addition or subtraction - One set per week.



### 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Class – 30 - 40 minutes:

1. Reading – Irish and English.
2. Written Work - Irish and English and another subject at times.
3. Maths – questions every night.
4. Spellings – As organised by days and weeks in the books.
5. Tables – Division and Multiplication - One set per week.

**5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Class – 45 minutes – 1 hour:**

1. Reading – Irish and English.
2. Written Work – Irish and English and another subject.
3. Maths – questions every night.
4. Spellings – As organised by days and weeks in the books
5. Tables – Revision. One set every week.

**Ratification**

Ratified by the Board of Management on \_\_\_\_\_  
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