



4th September 2026

Dear Parent/Carer,

At Allenbourn, we see homework as an opportunity to help pupils develop as confident, independent learners. It gives pupils the opportunity to practise and apply what they have learned in lessons, helping to secure their understanding and build confidence. Regular independent study also develops important lifelong skills, including time management, self-discipline and problem-solving.

Over the next week, pupils will begin to receive their first pieces of homework. The amount of homework will gradually increase and will follow the schedules outlined below.

Years 5 and 6

Homework will be set every Monday for Year 5 and every Tuesday for Year 6:

- An English task on **spag.com**
- A maths task on **maths.co.uk**

In addition:

- Fortnightly spellings will be set on Google Classroom.
- Pupils should read for 15–20 minutes, five times a week. Further information about how we will record and monitor reading will be shared in the coming weeks.

Homework will be checked during tutor time each Monday (Year 5) and Tuesday (Year 6).

Years 7 and 8

Homework will be set every Friday:

- **Sparx Reader:** 400 points (approximately 40 minutes)
 - **Spark Maths:** Various assignments (approximately 1 hour)
 - **Sparx Science:** Various assignments (approximately 1 hour)
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In addition:

- Foundation subjects may occasionally set additional homework where appropriate.

Sparx homework should be completed by the end of Thursday and will be checked during tutor time each Friday.

Homework Club

To support pupils with their homework, we offer a daily Homework Club as part of our Wraparound Care provision. The session runs from 3.10pm to 4.00pm, costs £4.00 and should be booked on Arbor.

Pupils attending Homework Club will be provided with a Chromebook so that they can complete their homework independently in a quiet and supportive environment. Sessions should be booked at least one day in advance via Arbor.

We appreciate your support in establishing positive homework routines at home. Encouraging your child to complete their homework regularly and independently will help them to develop the habits and skills they need to be successful.

If you have any queries regarding homework, please contact your child's tutor in the first instance.

Yours sincerely,

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