

St Mary's

Bryanston Square C of E School

How You Can Support Your Child's Homework

1. Take good care of things that are sent home including, for example: games, books, the home-school reading and homework record.
2. Do your best to find a quiet place to do the homework (possibly different places for different types of homework).
3. Help your child to find all the things he, or she, needs.
4. Help with the timing of the work - both the time of day and how long your child spends on the work.
5. Praise your child's efforts so they know you are pleased and the work is important.

How You Can Support Your Child's Reading

- Read every day; little and often is the best way.
- Make reading fun! Enjoyment is the key to success - it's not a test!
- Find somewhere comfortable where there are no distractions.

- Look at the pictures and talk about the story before your child starts to read it. Never cover up the pictures - they are important to help make sense of the story.
- Ask good questions, such as:
 - Did you enjoy it? What has happened so far?
 - What might happen next? Why do you think that will happen?
 - Who is your favourite character and why?
 - Are there any new words? What do they mean?
- Your comments in the home-school reading book should be about the things you talked about with your child.