



St Elizabeth's Catholic Primary School

Y2 Homework Policy 2019/20

At St. Elizabeth's Catholic Primary School we recognise the valuable contribution which parents make by supporting their children in their homework. Homework can give parents an insight into what and how their child is learning. It can also allow children to see the value which their parents place upon their education. Homework can consolidate and extend the skills and knowledge gained in the classroom. It can be a positive way to stimulate quality talk with children. It can also lead to independent inquiry which we strongly encourage.

At St Elizabeth's we believe that it is important for children to have a healthy balance between relaxation, clubs and homework after school. Homework should not be onerous or stressful. If your child experiences difficulties with his/her homework, please arrange to speak to your child's teacher who will be able to help.

Your child's homework will consist of:

Reading

Daily reading is essential for all children and has an impact across all areas of learning. Your child will be provided with a reading book and reading record. Your child is expected to read at home every school day. In order to increase vocabulary, parents/children should write down one or two unknown words and their meanings in their reading journal each time they read. Adults should sign the reading record when they have heard their child read. Reading books and Reading records need to be brought into school each day.

Spelling

Your child will receive either a phonics pattern or a spelling rule to learn each week which consolidates the phonic or spelling rule that has been taught in class during the week.

The 'Spelling Menu', which is glued in the spelling book, gives a list of activities to carry out which help the children learn the spelling. Children should complete a different activity from the 'Spelling Menu' in their spelling book each week.

Big Talk

The 'Big Talk' homework will be e-mailed to parents approximately every two weeks. The 'Big Talk' is a discussion based homework which helps and supports the children in their extended writing taking place the following day. We ask parents to talk with their children about the given topic, encouraging them to speak in full sentences and use interesting vocabulary.

Maths

Mangahigh – this is an online Maths programme which sets the children questions which link to their learning in class at their ability.

Login for Mangahigh can be found in the children's reading records.

Half term topic

Your child will be set an independent research project to complete each half-term based on one of the themes being studied in class. A separate letter will be sent out giving more details.

Homework Timetable Year 2

	Homework given out	Homework due in:
Monday	Reading and discussing new vocabulary	
Tuesday	Mangahigh Maths Activity Reading and discussing new vocabulary	Mangahigh Maths activity to be completed online by the following Tuesday
Wednesday	Reading and discussing new vocabulary	
Thursday	Spelling homework – complete an activity from the Spelling Menu Reading and discussing new vocabulary	Spellings homework must be completed and spellings will be tested on Monday
Friday	Reading and discussing new vocabulary	

Thank you for your support