

## Elements Primary School - Homework Policy 2025/26

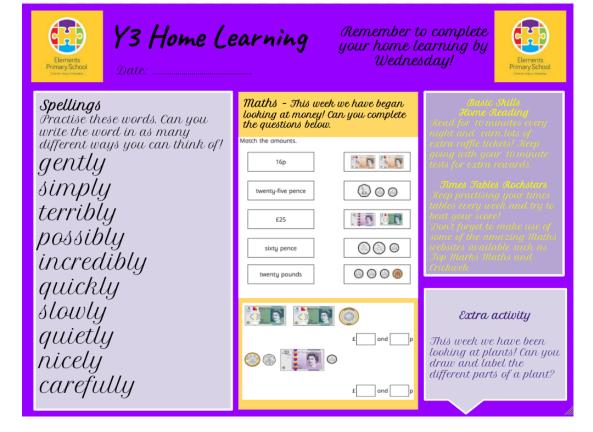
### Why do we have homework?

- Homework supports children in maximising their progress in their academic development within school;
- Individual homework encourages children to develop confidence and self-discipline to study on their own and prepares them as independent learners;
- It promotes opportunities to build on life skills and provides wider experiences to prepare our children as future learners;
- Additional learning further develops skills and understanding, particularly in English and Maths, revising consolidating and reinforcing through additional practice at home;
- Homework promotes cooperation between home and school and strengthens the partnership to help all children within our community succeed.

# What homework will be given?

At Elements Primary School, homework will take the form of a weekly sheet that will contain spellings to practice that week as well as a mathematical recap on learning that has previously been covered within class. Home reading is encouraged to be carried out daily and books will be changed once reading records are signed by an adult. An additional activity may also be provided that may link to the wider curriculum.

The homework sheets will look a little something like this:



### Basic Skills

Children will also be encouraged to complete the tasks below every week:

- Home reading We love our pupils to read as often as possible, 10 minutes every night. As soon as a pupil has finished a book, they can hand it to their teacher, and they will be given a new one the very next day! When a child returns their home reading book, they will receive a raffle ticket, which will enter them into a half termly draw to win a prize!
- Times Table rockstars Login every week to practise times tables.
- Spelling/phonic activity Complete this once a week.

# How will you access and record homework?

A child's homework activities will be posted into their online classroom each week.

A child's reading book will be sent home with them, with a reading record to enable parents and teachers to communicate regarding a child's reading progress.

We would love to see our pupils upload their pictures and examples of home learning onto their google classroom each week.

If parents cannot access the google classroom at home, paper copies will be sent home in a home learning book provided by school.

The high standards that are seen in school should be echoed in homework.

#### How will homework be celebrated?

Staff will monitor the progress of basic skills online, and by recording in home reading records. Children may be rewarded by their class teacher through the use of stamps, stickers, verbal praise or the use of the school's class charter.

Celebrations of home learning will also be made in end of year reports and parents' evenings.

Each week staff will select a reader of the week which can be selected due to home reading or also due to reading lessons within classes.