

HOMEWORK IN YEAR 6



Homework schedule

Homework is set on a Friday.

Homework **must be completed by the start of the school day on the following Thursday.**

Homework is not set over school holiday periods. However, we encourage children to continue to read daily.

Homework tasks

Each week, children in Year 6 are asked to complete the following:

- **Maths Task.** Children will be given one maths task each week, focused on consolidating and reinforcing learning within the classroom. This will be set within Showbie.
- **English Task.** Children will be given one English task each week, focused on consolidating and reinforcing learning within the classroom. This will be set within Showbie.
- **Spellings.** Alongside our teaching scheme for spelling in school, children are asked to practise spellings at home every week. In Year 6, this is done via the Spelling Shed application. Each Friday, a new spelling pattern is assigned within Spelling Shed. Pupils should log in and practise as much as possible, in readiness for a low-stakes quiz in school the following Thursday. Children can complete a range of spelling challenges within the app, as well as practising using a pen and paper. Children will learn these same spellings throughout the week in school – there is a one-hour spelling lesson each Monday, followed by regular opportunities to practise / revisit throughout the week.
- **Daily Reading.** We ask children to read daily. The digital reading record on Showbie should be updated regularly (please strive for at least once or twice per week) to help staff in school celebrate and encourage your child's engagement with reading. We encourage children to update these themselves. The digital reading record can be used in a range of ways, many of which can help motivate and engage your child - we provide bookmarks with helpful prompts. Our **reading record videos** also provide some inspiration: <https://www.pda.lancs.sch.uk/homework/>

Additional learning (optional): We continue to encourage pupils to use the online applications available to them (e.g. Times Tables Rockstars) to support their retention of essential facts.

Accessing homework

Digital reading records are accessed and updated via Showbie. Login details are provided by school.

You can access Showbie via the Showbie app or via a web browser: <https://my.showbie.com/signin>

The weekly Maths and English tasks are usually accessed, completed or collected via Showbie. Often, these tasks are completed via online learning applications (such as [SPAG.com](https://www.spag.com)) or children are encouraged to reflect on their homework, finding and commenting upon errors, on Showbie. Instructions will always be provided where this is the case. Occasionally, tasks are given out on paper – for example, 'White Maths Books'.

Spelling Shed can be accessed via a tablet or desktop computer using the web browser. Login details are provided by school: <https://www.edshed.com/en-gb/login>

Assessment and feedback

Staff will monitor the digital reading records each week to inform their understanding of the progress pupils make with reading. Feedback will be provided (usually verbally in school) to encourage and motivate pupils.

Teachers will assess the weekly English and Maths tasks. This will inform classroom teaching. Feedback will be given in the classroom as part of future teaching. Written feedback will not be provided.

Staff will monitor the progress pupils make within Spelling Shed and within weekly spelling quizzes. This will inform classroom teaching. Feedback may be given to highlight successes or to support pupils to improve.

Staff will liaise with parents where there are concerns about engagement with homework.

Additional information can be found in the Homework Policy.

Thank you for supporting your child's learning at home.