

St. Vincent's Catholic Primary School

Dear Parents / Carers,

This is your child's homework book. It will be sent home every Wednesday and must be returned to school every Monday.

Our aims in setting homework are to:

- Involve parents in their children's learning, providing them with a better understanding of their child's learning in school, and enabling them to become partners in their child's progress and achievement.
- Allow children to practise and consolidate work done in class.
- Provide tasks which are an enrichment and extension of what is going on in school, enabling children to develop their creativity and imagination.
- Develop children's self-discipline, time-management and organisational skills in preparation for later life.
- Create a channel for home-school dialogue, enabling parents to comment on their children's learning.
- Promote children's independent learning skills, by gradually teaching them to work individually and take responsibility for their own learning.
- Develop skills in using the library, Internet and other learning resources.

Class	Homework	How to complete it	Suggested Time allocation
One	Daily Reading	Record a comment in your child's Reading Diary.	10 minutes daily
	Optional Wednesday Word Reflection	The Wednesday Word leaflet will be sent home every Wednesday. Complete the activities then encourage your child to reflect on the Gospel message. Either you or your child should record a reflection comment on the Wednesday Word sheet in this book.	Approximately 1 hour weekly
	 Phonics- between three to five sounds per week. 4-5 spelling words to learn (with optional challenge words) 	Practise the phonics and spellings using some of the tips opposite. Record a comment about your child's progress on the English Homework sheet in this book.	
	Mental Maths practice from Year 1 Maths curriculum.	Practise using some of the tips opposite. Record a comment about your child's progress on the Maths Homework sheet in this book.	
	Optional Mathletics exercise linked to weekly Maths work.	Complete online at http://www.mathletics.co.uk/	
	Optional Creative Curriculum	Choose and complete one of the activities from the Creative Curriculum Homework grid. Your child should record what they have done in this book using writing, pictures and also photographs if they wish. They can also bring models or other artwork into school.	
Holiday homework	Maths No Problem Worksho	Short Reading Comprehension activity Maths No Problem Worksheet Practice of the half term's sounds, spellings and mental maths	

Please let us know how you and your child get on and speak to the class teacher if you would like further information. We look forward to working with you as partners in your child's learning this year.