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Dear Parents and Carers,

We would like to take this opportunity to outline our homework expectations for the school and explain how homework supports your child's learning, as requested following our Parent Forum.

Homework is designed to reinforce skills taught in class, develop independence, and encourage good learning habits. Tasks will be age-appropriate and manageable, and we encourage children to complete them to the best of their ability.

Homework will usually include:

- **Reading:** Daily reading is strongly encouraged. Please spend 10 to 15 minutes listening/discussing the book your child is reading with your child daily.
 - EYFS and KS1 take home their book bag book linked to their phonics lessons and can access the online platform Oxford Owl.
 - KS2 take home a reading book from their class library
- **Phonics:** across the year additional phonics homework will be assigned to specific children via the use of QR codes which link to phonics videos. Please watch these with your child to support them with developing their phonics skills
- **Spellings:** Weekly spellings are given out on a Friday, please practise the spellings with your child ready for their spelling test the following Friday in school.
- **KS2 IXL Maths:** all children in Years 3 to 6 are set a short activity from their maths lesson in school to repeat at home. **This can be found on each child's dashboard on the tab labelled 'From Your Teacher', with the most recent skill at the top of the list.**
- **Times tables:**
 - Year 1: Please practice the times tables (2s, 5s, 10s) given out at the beginning of each unit
 - Years 2 to 6: daily times tables practice on TTRockstars which is linked to the times tables the children are working on in school.
 - Years 3 & 4: each child is provided with a times tables work book and designated pages are set each week. The books are sent home on a Friday and must be handed back in by the following Wednesday.
- **Year 6:** Each child in year 6 is provided with their own CGP homework books in three areas: Maths, Reading and SPaG. Each week the children are set a task linked to their books via Google Classroom to complete at home.
- **Additional homework:** Additional learning linked to the children's topics in school may be set through Google Classroom. This may include simple research or creative tasks related to classroom learning..

We ask that homework is completed in a quiet environment and that children attempt the work independently, with support and encouragement where needed.

If your child is experiencing difficulties with homework, or if there are circumstances that make completion challenging, please let us know. We are always happy to help and work with you to support your child.

Thank you for your continued support. Working together helps ensure the best possible learning experience for your child.

Kind regards,

Miss Cartwright
Head of School

