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Homework

Dear Parents/Carers,

Following on from the results of the parental survey we have been looking at our homework offer. We are keen to make our homework offer more streamlined and uniformed across the school so the expectations for both home and school are clearly laid out.

Moving forward our homework offer will look like this for each year group:

- **Homework to be handed out Friday and handed in the following Friday.**

- **Maths:**

The expectations for maths homework for each year group is as follows:

EYFS & KS1:

- Numbots 2 x 5 mins weekly.
- Fortnightly family maths activities.

Year 3 & 4:

- Times Tables Rockstars 3 x 5 mins weekly.
- Weekly arithmetic sheets sent home to practise questions they are finding difficult.
- Fortnightly family maths activities.

Year 5 & 6:

- Times Tables Rockstars for children still needing practise.
- Weekly arithmetic sheets sent home to practise questions they are finding difficult.
- Reasoning questions fortnightly.
- Year 6 will have additional SATS revision.

- **English:**

Reading:

Reading with your children is one of the fastest ways to improve their literacy skills. We would like all children to read as often as possible with an adult. This includes children in year 5 & 6, reading aloud is a key skill that drops off when children become free readers. Continuing to hear them read really helps to improve children's fluency and prosody. We will also be changing the way we distribute new books by checking the children's understanding of the text before we give out a new reading book. Once books have been marked as read teachers will ask the children to fill in a short book review in class. These book reviews can be drawn, written or verbally given to ensure that the children have good comprehension of what they have just read.

Writing:

Reception to Year 6 will be set a fortnightly grammar homework which will be completed in an exercise book provided. This will be a short activity designed to consolidate something they have learnt within their grammar lessons.

- **Half Termly Homework.**

Themed half termly homework

This will be a 'Tell me what you know homework.' The class teacher will set a big question from the previous year's learning these can be answered in any media of the children's choice. At the end of each half term the children will share/present their homework projects.

Autumn 1: Art

Autumn 2: Geography

Spring 3: Science

Spring 4: D.T

Summer 1: R.E

Summer 2: History

Best wishes,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Mrs Godbold', with a horizontal line extending to the left and right.

Mrs Godbold