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Key Stage 1 Homework

Dear Parents/Carers,

Starting from this week, pupils in Key Stage 1 will be set weekly homework tasks. This will consist of a mixture of spellings, number games and reading.


Spelling and number homework will be completed online, whilst reading books and records will be sent home in reading bags. Please ensure that reading books and records are sent into school each day, so that adults working with your child can also read with them. Your child's username and password for the online websites can be found either on the inside cover of their reading record or will be sent home separately.

An outline of homework set is as follows:

Homework	When is homework set?	How do I access homework?	Weekly expectation
Spellings	<p>New spellings are set every Monday.</p> <p>A spelling test will take place in class at the end of the week on Friday.</p>	<p>Spelling Shed online at: www.spellingshed.com</p> 	<p>Pupils should regularly practice their spellings throughout the week.</p> <p>Once pupils have played 3 games, which test them on their weekly spellings, they can then access more spellings from their year group to play on each week.</p>
Number games	<p>Pupils can access number games throughout the week.</p> <p>Numbots is for all pupils to access.</p> <p>Times Tables Rockstars is for Year 2 only.</p>	<p>Numbots online at: www.numbots.com</p>  <p>Times Tables Rockstars at: http://ttrockstars.com</p> 	<p>Pupils should regularly play on Numbots to help them to consolidate their number skills throughout the week.</p> <p>There are levels and stages which pupils need to pass to move on. Certificates for this will be handed out in Key Stage assembly each week.</p>



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Reading	Books are changed weekly.	A reading book and record will be sent home in book bags. 	Pupils read regularly throughout the week, re-reading books to build up their pace and fluency. An adult is to date and sign the reading record after reading. Reading books should be in school daily.
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Reading

Reading forms an essential part of the curriculum and daily reading is strongly encouraged to help pupils to build up their self-esteem and self-confidence.

Your child will bring home one or two quality texts each week matched to their reading ability, which they are required to read and then re-read throughout the week. The purpose of re-reading the book is to help them to build up fluency and pace (how quickly they can read the words). The re-reading of books also helps to develop comprehension (their understanding of what is happening in the story).

To help support parents with home reading the following is recommended as a guide when reading:

	New book
1st read	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Look at the front cover, find the title and look at the illustration. • What do you think this book will be about? • Look at the inside cover and read the sounds and common exception words. • Begin to read the book, taking time to decode the words (applying your phonics to recognise what the word says).
2nd read	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Re-read the book including the inside cover. • How did the story end? Did you like the story?
3rd read	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Re-read the book including the inside cover. • Talk to an adult about what happened in the story. • Can you name some key events which happened?
4th read	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Re-read the book. • Find and point to all the characters in the story. • Recognise the setting of the story (which place does the story happen in?)



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Thank you in advance for all your continued support with homework. If you have any questions or require any additional support then please contact your child's teacher via Class Dojo.

Kind regards,
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Key Stage 1 Phase Leader