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Homework

Dear Parents/Carers,

We do hope that you have all had a lovely half term break and have managed to spend time with family and friends.

The purpose of this letter is to outline some of the changes we are making to our homework provision across the school.

We fully appreciate that parents have differing views on homework and the use of it in a primary school. We have sought to 'strike a balance' ensuring that homework is relevant and linked to current learning whilst not being too onerous or impacting on the children's hobbies/activities outside of school.

As you will know, we have been using Google Classroom for homework, and remote learning, since the start of the pandemic. Prior to the pandemic, the children had a homework 'book' which they completed their homework in.

From this week we will be returning to the use of the book for all year groups from Y1 to Y6. The children will all receive their homework book with the homework for this week in it. For those pupils in EYFS, home learning will be largely phonic and reading based and will be discussed with parents throughout the year.

Homework will be given out to the children on a Friday to be handed in the following Tuesday. This gives time for homework to be completed outside of the weekend if they have other commitments or things planned. This will be the same in every class across the school to ensure consistency.

We fully appreciate that the children work hard during the school week and we have kept homework to the areas that we feel will support them the most.

There is an ongoing expectation that children will read at home and that the home/school reading diary will be completed and travel back and forth between home and school daily. Other homework will focus on spellings, times tables and general arithmetic skills as well as some work to support with statutory assessments in Y2 and Y6. There will also be a focus on GPS (grammar, punctuation and spelling) as the children move through the school.

We are very grateful for your support with our current homework and we hope that this will continue as we move back to our previous way of working.

Thank you

H Shepherdson
Headteacher



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