

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Below is a reminder of the homework your child will receive in Year 1 & 2.

### **Reading**

Your child will still get their book changed on a Monday. They will be provided a banded reading book based on their reading level and an associated READ task. Year 1 & 2 children are expected to write a short answer to their task in their reading homework books. You can help them with what they are writing and spelling. For example, if it "Who is the main character and what did they do?" Your child could write something like "Kipper had a party." Or "Dad made some jam." If they want to write longer sentences that is perfectly fine too. You will also get two Phonics books, associated with the Phonics we are learning in class that week. Please read all books, and complete all tasks, ready for the following Monday.

Please make sure reading books and diary are brought in everyday – even if they haven't been read, as we will hear children read whenever we can.

### **Library Books**

We will also be sending a library book home. Your child will choose a book out of our class library so please do not expect them to read this book independently. This is a reading for enjoyment book and is for them to share with you – maybe a bedtime story. This will come home on a Friday and will be changed the following Friday.

### **Phonics/Spelling**

In phonics, we will continue to send home spellings for your child to practice. We usually send home around 12 words dependent on the difficulty of the words. We will set the words on a Monday and will do a spelling test on the following Monday. Initially we recommend they practice writing the word 3 times – once a night Monday to Thursday (We say 3 times in case you child needs a night off – but the more times the better!). Please do not do all the practice in one night as this will not help to embed the knowledge into their memory and will take too long.

Please use the method:

- Look at the word
- Say the word
- Write the word
- Check the word

This method will change as the children become more confident with the process of spelling practice. Please send in their spelling books in every day – even if they haven't done the practice. We will check them and help out where we can.

### **Math Passport**

Once we are all settled in, we will send home a copy of their Math passport via Teams. We will highlight the target they are to practice. We practice targets in the classroom and we check targets every fortnight. There is more information about the passport process on the school website. Please practice these 2 or 3 times a week.

### **Other Homework**

We will occasionally send home other homework linked to topic/history work, Computing or other challenges. We will put these on Teams.

### **Teams**

All homework and communications will come home to you via Teams so please make sure you are checking your pupils account regularly. Important letters and documents we will try and keep a copy available on our class page for anyone having problems. Across the year, we intent to increase the amount of homework done via teams and reduce the paper we are sending home, so please take the time to familiarise yourself as the term moves on.

If you have problems with any of this please let us know and we will send you a paper copy.

Thank you for your support and if you have any problems please let me know and I will help out where I can.

Mrs Rollins and Mrs Thomas