

Dear parents/carers,

In line with current research and the school's renewed drive to promote reading at home, we have decided to review our expectations of homework. From after half term, the expectations of weekly homework in Key Stage 1 and 2 are as follows:

Reading at least 3 times a week and recording this in the reading diaries,

Learning spellings (and the spelling rules),

Practicing key times tables, including both multiplication and division facts.

The expectations of homework in the Early Years are unchanged.

There is no longer any expectations of a written outcome in either Maths or Literacy every week as we want the children to focus on the three key skills of reading, spelling and learning their times tables.

However, if a child is inspired to do more homework, this is of course to be encouraged. At the start of a topic, the class teacher will discuss a range of topic based outcomes that the children could choose to do. There is no deadline for these outcomes but they will be celebrated in class when the children choose to bring them in. We feel if a child is inspired to do more, this promotes a love of learning as well as fostering their skills as an independent learner.

A new page on the school website will be appearing soon, to share ideas how to support your child's learning at home.

If you would like more information, please discuss it at the upcoming parent interviews on either 16th/17th of November, where you will also be able to fill in a parent questionnaire.

Yours sincerely,

Andrew Sale

Head teacher