



Wednesday 15th March 2017

Dear Parents/Carers of children in Year 6

Re: Home learning

From parents' evenings, it has come to our attention that more clarity is needed on what the home work expectations are of the children in year six.

Every evening they should be carrying out the following tasks, as they are the core focus:

• **15minutes of spelling practise.**

- They are to use the spelling home learning sheets sent home on Fridays.
- They will be tested half termly on a range of words that follow the rules that have been learnt.
- Please use the orange home learning books for practise and the small, blue spelling books for testing purposes at home.

• **10-15minutes of times table practise**

- It is of paramount importance that each child is able to recite all the multiplication and division facts for all the 12 times tables.
- From class, each child knows the times tables they are working on.
- The children will be tested weekly and badges are awarded for milestones that are met.

• **30minutes of reading.**

- The children should be writing the following in their reading record each time they read: book title, pages read, evidence of engagement with what they are read (writing their own questions, adding new words learnt and their vocabulary, discussion the language used by the author etc.)
- Reading records are regularly checked and children will be kept in over breaks to update their books, if evidence is not seen.

Every week they should also complete a piece of grid home learning. The purpose of these activities is to extend their understanding and enjoyment across all the topics we are studying in class. These pieces of work will be acknowledge, but not deep marked.

During Easter, each child will be expected to complete a set of Easter revision books to prepare them for their upcoming SATS examinations in maths, reading, spelling and grammar.

We hope this has helped clarify the level of work expected at home. The children have been spoken to and they are fully aware of the level of self-learning they are expected to do and the reasons behind each.

Yours faithfully,
Mrs Douglas and Miss Wheeler