

# Home learning across the school

## **Home learning in Willow Class:**

Home learning in Willow Class includes games and activities that help to provide fun opportunities for the application and embedding of maths, literacy and phonics learning. It is sent out on a Friday and collected in on a Wednesday.

Children are encouraged to read every night to help build their reading confidence and fluency. Please remember to sign your child's reading log or record a short comment. This will help us to support their reading development effectively during lessons.

## **Home learning in Holly Class**

In Holly Class home learning is sent out on a Friday and collected in the following Thursday. The home learning consists of an English challenge, a Maths challenge and a question related to our current topic for the children to research.

In addition to this we like the children to read as often as possible and practice their common exception word spellings. Although it is fantastic to see all of the home learning challenges completed, this is not an expectation. The homework is always based around what we have been learning in class that week and the challenges often differ between interactive, verbal and written tasks.

## **Home learning in Oak Class:**

Home learning in Oak class will be given on Fridays and is due for completion by the following Thursday. Generally, it will consist of a Maths and English task, designed to consolidate the learning in class that week. These will often be verbal tasks or games but may occasionally include a written task.

Spellings are sent home at the same time and children are expected to learn them each week ready for a spelling assessment on Friday. These are in line with National Curriculum expectations.

It is strongly recommended that children read regularly at home to an adult. Asking simple questions about the story will also help develop comprehension skills. Your child would also benefit from frequent opportunities to listen to a more experienced reader reading a more challenging text. This provides valuable opportunities for modelling expression and a good reading pace.

## **Home learning in Ash Class:**

Home learning in Ash class will often reflect upon a previous learnt topic or a topic upcoming. It is handed out on Friday and expected back on the following Thursday. Generally, the children will receive a Maths, and an English task related to what they have learnt plus a challenge related to the half term topic. Whilst the challenge isn't mandatory, completing it will often further their understanding of the topic whilst also receiving a hefty number of merits.

Statutory spellings for year 5/6 will now be sent out in the attempt to help the children reinforce their knowledge of essential spelling rules. This is particularly important for those in Year 6, with a dedicated spelling test within their SAT's week.

Lastly, it is strongly encouraged that children read over the week. This helps them to build a confidence and love of reading. What will help is if you ask your child to recite something from what they have read and ask them to make a prediction on what might happen next. This will further develop their retrieval, inference and summary skills, essential within reading comprehension.