

From the Summer Term 2018, in response to parent/carer feedback, we are trialling a new homework system in an effort to ensure it is both manageable and worthwhile. In line with the 'Lancashire Year of Reading', the main emphasis will be on reading a small amount daily and although we will be continuing with the weekly spelling sheet, the children will no longer receive an additional worksheet on Fridays. The new expectations are as follows:

- <u>Daily reading</u> 10 minutes, with the read recorded in reading records. We will be sending home a list of example comprehension questions and activities that may be helpful to use with your child.
- <u>Spelling homework</u> containing 6 spellings relating to phonic sessions. This will continue to be handed out on a Monday, to be returned the following Friday.

If you would like additional homework activities to complete with your child, here are some suggestions:

<u>Maths</u> - Questions could be asked and answered verbally when in the car, walking, cooking dinner etc to develop a quick mental recall.

- Times tables and division facts 2s, 5s, 10s (and 3s for Year 2)
- Continuing number sequences from different starting points, forward and backwards in steps of 1, 2, 3, 5 and 10. E.g. 20, 25, 30, ____, ___.
- Ordering 2 and then 3 digit numbers
- Recognising tens and units within 2 digit numbers (progressing to hundreds in Year 2)
- Recognising odd and even numbers
- Halving and doubling numbers

<u>Writing</u>

- Writing about their weekend or holiday
- Writing extended sentences, using the conjunctions 'and', 'but' and 'because'. Progress to 'or', 'so', 'that' and 'when' in Year 2.
- Punctuating sentences correctly adding the missing exclamation mark/question mark/comma/full stop.
- Describing a setting or character with adjectives

Reading

- Visiting the library
- Any books recorded in reading records count towards our book challenge, where children receive a free book after 150 reads. 1 read per book per day counts!

Class pages on the school website also provide links to a range of websites that can be used by the children to further their learning.