

Dear Parents and/or Carers,

**We are making changes to the homework that we will be giving the children** due to discussions in Parent Forum meetings and our analysis of what supports pupils to learn best. The maths and writing/grammar homework that your child will receive will allow them to practise skills that they have learned in class and should enable them to work mostly independently. We have ‘stepped’ up the homework expectations as your child moves through the school in preparation for secondary school and to enable pupils to take greater responsibility for their home learning.

For reading, **in KS2**, we are moving away from logging reading on Marvellous Me and instead introducing a ‘Reading Journal’ which pupils are asked to complete at home and in school. We expect pupils to complete one task per week. This will be a task of their choice from the list in the front of their journal. Your child’s class teacher will explain to the children how the journal will be used during a session in school next week. If your child would enjoy choosing their own book for their journal, they are welcome to do so. **Please ensure the book is A5 and lined.** The cover may be carefully decorated to show your child’s reading interests. Please send in all ‘Reading Journal’ exercise/jotter books by Monday 25th September. We will provide an exercise book for any children who do not wish to bring in their own book. Please see the table below for a summary of our new homework expectations:

Year	Homework Expectations	Information
Nursery	Suggestions linked to current learning which will be posted on Tapestry.	
Reception	Suggestions linked to current learning and book suggestions will be posted on Tapestry. Please read with your child five times a week and complete their Reading Record daily.	
Year 1	Please read with your child five times a week and complete their Reading Record daily. Maths fluency work will be posted on Google Classroom weekly. Sometimes additional information linked to current learning will be posted on Google Classroom with suggestions for optional home learning.	
Year 2	Please read with your child five times a week and complete their Reading Record daily. Maths fluency work will be posted on Google Classroom weekly. Please support your child to log on to Times Tables Rock Stars five times a week. Sometimes additional information linked to current learning will be posted on Google Classroom with suggestions for optional home learning.	
Year 3	Please read with your child five times a week for at least twenty minutes each time. Your child should complete one objective from their Reading Journal per week. Please support your child to log on to Times Tables Rock Stars five times a week. Arithmetic homework will be set once a week on Google Classroom from December. Once a term, an additional activity linked to current learning will be posted on Google Classroom.	
Year 4	Please read with your child five times a week for at least twenty minutes each time. Your child should complete one objective from their Reading Journal per week. Please support your child to log on to Times Tables Rock Stars five times a week. Arithmetic homework will be set once a week on Google Classroom. Once a term, an additional activity linked to current learning will be posted on Google Classroom.	
Year 5	Please read with your child five times a week for at least twenty minutes each time. Your child should complete one objective from their Reading Journal per week, focusing on completing this in more detail. A weekly maths activity will be posted on Google Classroom or in a homework book. A weekly spelling/grammar or writing task will be set in a homework book, to focus on handwriting, presentation and writing stamina.	
Year 6	Please read with your child five times a week for at least twenty minutes each time. Your child should complete one or more objectives from their Reading Journal per week, focusing on completing this in more detail. A weekly maths activity will be posted on Google Classroom or in a homework book. A weekly spelling and a grammar/writing task will be set in a homework book, to focus on handwriting, presentation and writing stamina. To prepare the children for secondary school, teachers will expect all homework tasks to be completed to the same standard as that in the children’s English and maths books.	