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The Parkland Federation Homework Expectations 2018/19

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Dear Parents and Carers,

A very big thank you to the 143 adults who completed our recent homework survey in Term 1. The results were very mixed with no clear overall majority regarding homework preferences. After careful consideration, we have decided that the following homework requirements will now be in place for each year group in order to support the development of key skills:

Reception:

- Daily reading of book band books. (Please fill out the home reading log to gain reading rewards!)
- Weekly phonics sheets
- An optional activities grid to support the promotion of GLD (Good Level of Development). Teachers will keep you informed of home support using the online system Tapestry, so please make sure you are signed up for this. If you would like to support your child even further, teachers are happy to provide additional maths/handwriting work. Just pop along and see them!

Year 1:

- Daily reading of book band books. (Please fill out the home reading log to gain reading rewards!)
- Weekly phonics/handwriting/spelling sheets
- MyMaths weekly (online maths challenges 30 minutes a week)
- Year 1 and 2 High Frequency words will come home so they can be focussed on over the academic year
- Number bonds, doubles and place value revision work will also be sent home regularly
- Optional Grid Tasks (longer projects) will be given for holiday homework ideas if required. These can be handed in during the first week of the new term to be celebrated

Year 2:

Daily reading of book band books. (Please fill out the home reading log to gain reading rewards!)

















- Weekly phonics/spelling pattern/handwriting sheets
- MyMaths weekly (online maths challenges 30 minutes a week)
- Number bond, doubles and place value revision work will also be sent home regularly
- Year 1 and 2 High Frequency words will come home so they can be focussed on over the academic year
- Optional Grid Tasks (longer projects) will be given for holiday homework ideas if required. These can be handed in during the first week of the new term to be celebrated

Year 3 and 4:

- Daily reading of book band books. (Please fill out the home reading log to gain reading rewards!)
- Spelling/handwriting sheets weekly
- MyMaths weekly/Times Tables Rock Stars (online maths challenges— 30 minutes a week)
- Year 3 and 4 High Frequency words will come home so they can be focussed on over the academic year
- Optional Grid Tasks (longer projects) will be given for holiday homework ideas if required. These can be handed in during the first week of the new term to be celebrated

Year 5:

- Daily reading of book band books. (Please fill out the home reading log to gain reading rewards!)
- Spelling/handwriting sheets weekly
- MyMaths weekly/Times Tables Rock Stars (online maths challenges— 30 minutes a week)
- Year 5 and 6 High Frequency words will come home so they can be focussed on over the academic year
- Optional Grid Tasks (longer projects) will be given for holiday homework ideas if required. These can be handed in during the first week of the new term to be celebrated

Year 6: (There will be <u>additional</u> homework in Year 6 in order to prepare the children for the expectations in Year 7)

- Daily reading of book band books. (Please fill out the home reading log to gain reading rewards!)
- Spelling/handwriting sheets weekly
- MyMaths/Times Tables Rock Stars weekly (online maths challenges 30 minutes a week)
- Year 5 and 6 High Frequency words will come home so they can be focussed on over the academic year
- CGP books for maths and comprehension will be provided by the school and tasks from these set weekly
- Optional Grid Tasks (longer projects) will be given for holiday homework ideas if required. These can be handed in during the first week of the new term to be celebrated

Homework tasks will be given/set each Friday by the class teacher and will be due in on the following Thursday.

Information about MyMaths (Key Stage 1 and 2) and Times Tables Rock Stars (Key Stage 2) passwords have already been sent out via your child's book bag. We will also shortly be sending out information about Times Tables help that you can give at home.

Support at home to consolidate the fantastic work of our teachers makes an incredible amount of difference to your child and we love working in partnership with you. Please do not hesitate to speak to the class teacher if you have any questions about homework or would like further support.

Best wishes,

Ms S Simpson (Head of Schools)