

Giraffes' Homework

Homework is an essential part of being a successful learner in life. It helps children to practise and perfect their skills as well as deepen their knowledge and understanding. Regular short bursts of repetitive tasks help children to retain learning better, so little, often and fun is the key.

Reading

The opportunity to read with an adult is still very valuable for children in Y5/6 as it provides opportunities for children to respond to the book: discuss and interpret what is happening; comment upon author's use of language; and make predictions based upon evidence. All of these skills are key aspects of age related expectations, so in Y5/6, all children should continue to read to an adult at least 5 times a week. Please also use the questions on their reading bookmark to help your discussion and then write a short comment and sign your child's reading journal every time they read. Reading books and journals need to be brought to school every day. On a Friday, signed reading book marks will be drawn from the Reading Reward box in assembly. One child from each class will win their very own new book !

All children have an online reading platform account and should continue to use the resources to improve their reading comprehension skills.

Spelling

The children will be working on spellings as part of their English work. Each week, a short homework investigation task will be set which will use the focus words for that week. On a weekly basis word lists will be sent home that will support with the spelling session. The children will be quizzed on these words each Friday.

Multiplication tables

All children have a Times Tables Rock Stars Account and should continue to use the resources to practise their tables. By the end of Year 4, children should know all their multiplication tables to 12 x 12 fluently, which means answering in 6 seconds or less! If your child is not fluent in their times tables yet, they will be set times tables homework which will focus on one times table at a time. This will continue until they are fluent.

MyMaths

All children have an online MyMaths account. Where it is appropriate, homework will be set to consolidate classroom learning. Though if children do not know all of their times tables, TT rockstars should be prioritised.

Personalised homework

From time to time, your child may need extra practise on a skill we have been learning in school. In this case, we will send home additional, personalised homework for your child.

Homework books should be kept in your child's reading folder unless they are being used. This will ensure that they are not lost or forgotten.

Thank you for your support.

Mrs Williams