

## Year 3 – Homework Information

### Homework Days

#### Thursday

- Maths/writing homework handed out

#### Friday

- Weekly spellings distributed and previous week's spellings tested

### General Information

#### **Reading**

In Year Three reading regularly and often is an important part of early reading development. We ask that the children should read at least three times a week. This may involve reading to, or discussing and sharing a book with, your child. We ask that parents of pupils in Year Three make a comment in their child's reading record book when they have listened to them read.

As a rough guide, children in Year Three should read for at least 15 minutes.

School reading books are not sent home during the summer holiday as this is the time teachers carry out an audit of the stock, check for quality and discard old and tatty books. However, we strongly recommend that children continue to read during the holidays and encourage them to join the local library. Children can broaden their experience by reading a whole range of other reading materials, e.g. non-fiction books, recipes, magazines, TV listings, computer programs, signs, instructions for games, captions etc., so they begin to understand that reading is an important and necessary skill in everyday life.

The Pearson online Bug Club reading materials are available to those parents who choose to use it; this provides an online version of the paper reading book and contains accompanying questions regarding the text.

#### **Other tasks**

No single activity, in addition to reading, spellings and tables should take longer than 20 minutes. Some work, such as spellings and multiplication tables, are best learnt by practising them 'little and often' for a few minutes each night. It is envisaged that children will take increasing responsibility for completing their work independently as they progress through the school. Generally, children will not be expected to finish off class work at home although there may be occasions where this is necessary in order to move the pace of learning along.

Below is a guide to the variety of homework tasks which may be given to children in Year 3. Some are regular, weekly tasks but others will only be given occasionally, depending on the demands of the curriculum. Additional homework tasks may be given to individuals to support them with their learning and progress.

- Reading independently or aloud to/with an adult
- Weekly spellings
- Weekly maths
- Pupils will be given a series of other tasks to choose from that will support and extend learning in school. Pupils will be expected to complete one task from the choices grid within a half term; they may complete more if they wish.