HOMEWORK LETTER - 7/9/21

Dear year 6 parents,

We hope your child is enjoying year 6 so far! Today, the first homework of the year is coming home and we need to clarify a few things with you.

Most importantly, the children will receive a maths task and an English task which they must complete each week and on which they should spend about an hour each. This will be given out on a Tuesday and must be returned on a Monday. This task will always be set on TEAMs (starting next week) although it may be possible to complete on paper.

The children may bring home REVISION or FACTS sheets from time to time. Two are in their folders tonight. There is a word list and a maths facts sheet that need to be learned gradually! Please help your child to look at these each week when they have finished their main homework. They could learn a few words each week from the wordlist and show their learning by using these words in their work. They will have a traditional spelling test each week where they are required to learn a set of words and then be tested on them however, the SATs test will be a random set of words that they have not prepared so we will be teaching them to deal with tests of this type by teaching them spelling rules and asking them to find more words that follow that rule. Sometimes, we may send home tests the children have had a go at so that they can learn from their mistakes in order to do better next time.

In addition, the children should be reading every night and practising/learning times-tables, spellings, facts or learning revision sheets. (10-20 minutes in total.)

This is obviously more than they were doing in year 5 but is good preparation for SATs and for secondary school. The more encouraging and positive you can be about homework, the better, as we tend to find that the children who put that extra effort in at home are the ones who do really well in SATs. The more you can encourage your child, the more progress they will make from the tasks we send.

SATs will be taking place in the week beginning May 9th 2022 and it is imperative that your child is in school every day that week. However, we will be preparing for them from now! The tests will be similar to previous year's tests in that they will return a standardised score for each child.

PE this year will always be on a Friday. Please send your child to school in the correct kit (white top, school jumper and black/navy shorts or joggers plus trainers) on this day. All jewellery should be removed that day.

Thank you in anticipation of your help and support with homework and with our SATs preparation this year.

Please sign the slip to acknowledge receipt of this letter.

Mr Fowler and Mrs Taggart

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I have received the letter about homework in year 6