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RE: Year 6 Autumn Term Homework

Dear Parents/Carers,

Below is a reminder of the homework expectations for Year 6 as well as the new deadline dates for the term.

Maths

MyMaths homework will be set weekly each Friday, due in the following Friday. Pupils can complete homework as many times as they like as MyMaths will generate new questions for them each time. They can also access any teaching resources to remind them of skills taught in lessons.

TTRockstars has proven to be very effective at developing times table recall and improving pupils' speed. Year 6 pupils are expected to play for a minimum of 20 minutes per week. They have been set 5 sessions on Studio and 15 on Garage. Other games are 'locked' until the set work is completed. They can, of course, play as much as they would like. Pupils have until 8pm on Thursdays to complete their TTRockstars. They may choose to complete their sessions all in one go or in short bursts throughout the week.

Pupils will receive house points for playing, weekly certificates for improved scores/times, and the best class each half term will earn an extra break.

Spellings

Spellings will be set on Purple Mash weekly each **Friday** to learn at home and pupils will be taught strategies and tips for learning these words. They will be tested on these words in school the following Friday. Please support your child to learn both the spelling and meaning of each word.

Topic

Your child has been given a sheet of stickers with optional homework ideas for the term. These have been selected to cover a range of subject areas and interests and are designed to promote their curiosities, creativity and independence. Your child may choose to complete 5 this term.

Examples of the types of homework

Please ensure these stickers are kept safe as replacements will not be given.

English Create a crossword puzzle with clues using some of the topic or science vocabulary for this term. Make up clues for each word.	English Write an acrostic poem to describe Alchemy Island.	English/Grammar Create a game of 'Taboo' using the grammar skills we have learnt this year.
Science - materials Design your dream room. Label which materials you would use for each item in the room. Justify your ideas. (Challenge - can you make it environmentally friendly?)	Science - materials Create a list of solids, liquids and gases around your house.	Science - materials Look at items around your house (minimum of 10). What materials are they made from? Why? What are their properties?
Science - materials Choose one of the planets to research. Create a fact file about this planet.	Geography Design your own fantasy island. Use 6-figure grid references to locate different features of your island.	Geography What would you take on a trip to an island? Create your ideal suitcase. Justify why you have chosen each item.

If pupils choose to complete the topic homework they have a fortnight for each piece of homework and can hand in the homework on the following dates:

Friday 6th October 2023

Friday 20th October 2023 (last day of half term)

Friday 3rd November 2023

Friday 17th November 2023

Friday 1st December 2023

We hope pupils will choose tasks that interest them but at the same time not feel overwhelmed with homework. Pupils will be rewarded with house points for their efforts, time and creativity for their topic homework.

Reading

Pupils should be reading **at least** 5 times a week and recording this in their home/school diaries. Please ensure your child has a reading book in school every day. We have books available for your children to borrow too. Children will be rewarded with house points for their reading effort throughout the year.

Support

If you do not have access to technology to support the online homework, please speak to your child's class teacher so they can help your child with access to technology in class.

If you have any questions, please feel to ask either myself or your child's class teacher.

Summary

- Reading – at least 5 times a week
- Spellings – practise a rule each week
- Topic – optional due fortnightly
- MyMaths – every week
- TT Rockstars – every week for at least 20 minutes

Yours sincerely,

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