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Dear Parents and Carers,

Home Learning

As many of you will be aware last year we worked with pupils, parent and staff to agree a school Home Learning Strategy. We felt it may be useful to share this information with you again at the start of the school year.

We want home learning to be a useful contribution to your child's learning, not a source of anxiety. Home learning tasks and challenges will not be compulsory. There are no rewards or penalties for completing/not completing home learning tasks. For many children being back at school in itself will be tiring and they may be less motivated to complete home learning tasks as a result, please don't worry about this.

During the school closure we developed an area of the school website with links to websites and organisation which can support learning at home, these can be accessed by clicking on the link below:

Home Learning

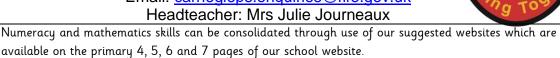
Primary 1	Literacy and English
	Each week pupils will revise and consolidate two of the sounds which they have been learning in school. As the session progresses pupils will be given Bug Club books to read at home. We would encourage you to incorporate bedtime stories into your daily routine and to visit the local library regularly.
	Numeracy and Mathematics
	Pupils will explore number at home on a weekly basis using resources such as Numicon. Numeracy and mathematics skills can also be consolidated through use of our suggested websites which are available on the primary 1 page of our school website.
Primary 2	Literacy and English
and 3	Pupils will be given reading books from Bug Club to read at home on a weekly basis. We would encourage you to incorporate bedtime stories into your daily routine and to visit the local library regularly.
	Numeracy and Mathematics
	Numeracy and mathematics skills can be consolidated through use of our suggested websites which are available on the primary 2 and 3 pages of our school website.
Primary 4	Literacy and English
to 7	Most pupils will access books from our Accelerated Reader (AR) range, they will be encouraged to select their own book at a level discussed with the teacher. AR books can be read at the child's own pace, when they have completed each book they will take a quiz in school which will assess comprehension skills and knowledge about language.
	Numeracy and Mathematics



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Health and Wellbeing Home Learning at Primary 1 to 7

Each month your child will being home their own wellbeing booklet and you will be asked to discuss some key statements with them. Your child should have come home with their booklet on Wednesday.

Additional Home Learning at Primary 1 to 7

At different points throughout the term your child may be asked to work on a home learning task related to another area of the curriculum - Science, Social Studies etc. Children will be given a number of weeks to complete these projects. During term 3 and 4 of Primary 7, pupils will take part in the Carnegie Project where they will be asked to undertake a personal research project of their own choice.

Class pages on the school website can be accessed using this link \rightarrow <u>Class Pages</u>

Common Questions

How do I know what my child is learning in school on a termly basis?

The stage newsletter which comes out at the beginning of the term will give you information about what will be covered across the curriculum.

How can I support my child with their learning at home?

The strategies we use to teach your child may be quite different to the strategies used when you were at school. Throughout the year we will record videos which will help you support your child in both Numeracy and Literacy.

How can I support my child to develop to encourage good reading habits?

Children who enjoy reading are normally surrounded by adults who read. The best way for you to encourage your child to read is for you to role model this. Daily reading is important, however it shouldn't be limited to books coming home from school. Trips to the library, having books at home, and reading before bed are all very good habits which will encourage your child to read more frequently.

Yours Sincerely,

Julie Journeaux Headteacher