

HILLINGDON PRIMARY SCHOOL

Learning and Achieving Together

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR YEAR 5 PARENTS AND CARERS ONLY Please ensure you read your child's relevant year group letter.

Dear Parents and Carers,

Your child will continue to receive homework this academic year, which will enhance and reinforce their learning in class. We are continuing to use the same engaging online resources as last year, and the successful addition of Google Classrooms that were used during lockdown. We appreciate your patience as we launch homework and we welcome your feedback.

Children will receive log-in details for the different websites this week. This will be in their reading record. You will also receive via email, a letter that gives you further details about how to access and use the 'Bug Club' website.

Year 5 Homework only

- Children are expected to read at least five times per week. They should be using reading prompts to write one comment in their reading diary each week, based on the domains that are listed in the front of their reading records, and log other times that they have read. Please use the reading diary to record this. The reading diary should have a minimum of five entries each week (one of which is a more detailed comment) that have been completed by your child. An adult from home needs to check that this is happening on a weekly basis.
- The Bug Club website offers a range of texts to read and can be used as often as you wish. However, our recommendation is for *at least 1 book every 3 weeks*. Please also note that Bug Club reads can only be counted as **one** of your five reads a week.
- Maths tasks on the MyMaths website will go out on **Monday afternoons** and will be due in the following **Monday morning**. This work will enhance work that has been completed in class.
- The children will be set a spelling task each week on Spelling Shed which is linked to the spelling rule they have been learning in their weekly RWI spelling lessons.
- TTRockStars is a *useful and fun tool* for your child to practise their times tables. Children are expected to access the site at least once a week.
- Occasionally, pupils in year 3 to year 6 will be set project-based homework to support their learning in class. These tasks are often designed to encourage children to develop independent learning skills. For example they may be asked to research information on a topic or to prepare a presentation for the rest of the class. This homework may be set for a longer period (e.g. two weeks, over a half-term) to give children time to explore their learning more fully. Expectations for project-based tasks will be

communicated clearly to pupils and parents/carers. This work may be set via the class Google Classroom.

When will homework begin?

The first homework will be sent out on Week Monday 27th September. The children will be given an opportunity in class during the week of the 20th September to logon to the learning platforms mentioned above. Please refer to their reading diaries and Google Classroom for the relevant passwords. All homework will be set on a Monday and must be handed in the following Monday.

A home learning jotter will be sent out by Monday 27th September. This does not need to come back to school, but is to promote children to practise their spellings, times tables, number bonds, maths calculations, sentence writing etc. This will support and aid their home learning online.

Overview of Time Allocation

As a school, we recommend that children spend the following allocated time when completing homework. These time allocations are the total allocation over the course of a week, and therefore include any time spent on regular reading or learning of spellings or number facts.

Nursery and Reception: Up to 30 – 45 minutes per week. Year 1 and Year 2: Up to 1 hour Year 3 and Year 4: Up to 1 ½ hours per week Year 5 and Year 6: Up to 2 hours per week

Thank you for your continued support.

Kind regards,

R Sheldon

Ms R Sheldon Year 5 Year Group Leader