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Dear Parent/Carer

## **YEAR 3 & 4 MATHEMATICS HOMEWORK**

We are writing to inform you about the homework strategy we will be using. We are continuing to use question sheets to improve and reinforce key mathematical skills, through regular and repeated practice. The sheets begin with concepts already familiar to pupils and throughout the year new topics are added as they are taught. This allows the class to make better progress in lessons as pupils are able to recall basic skills and facts more quickly. Different question sheets are assigned to pupils according to their ability, which ensures that they are working on appropriate questions and are therefore able to enjoy a high success rate.

Each week, pupils will be given one homework sheet to complete; please encourage them to write their working out and answers on the sheet in pencil. It is hoped that this regular system will help pupils establish a routine. Sometimes your children may be given additional activities, that are aimed to boost a skill they have been practicing in lesson, and sometimes the children request additional homework! The compulsory homework will be the activity entitled 4.1, 4.2 or 4.3. or have been arranged with the class teacher accordingly.

### **50 CLUB:**

**THE most important facts to learn in mathematics are the 'times tables' and their related division facts;** please encourage your child to learn these through the '50 club'. If they are finding a particular concept difficult and need more support, then please inform their teacher by writing a note on the homework sheet itself or in their homework book. It is important that pupils answer the questions using the methods shown to them in class so if you need any clarification please get in touch.

## **Year 3 & 4 ENGLISH HOMEWORK**

Pupils in **Year 3 & 4** will be set spellings homework each week. The children are encouraged to practice spellings each evening ready for a test on those spellings learned – usually the following Friday. **THE most important English homework is to read.** We want the children to **read, read, read!** **The expectation is 30 minutes a day.** Please send your child's book in with them every-day so that we can read with them when opportunities arrive and when they have a chance to read independently – particularly for Monday swimming after they have got changed or are waiting to change. If you have any questions regarding Year 3/4 homework, please do not hesitate to contact your child's teacher so arrangement can be made to suit.

Children will be expected to complete any outstanding homework at lunchtime.

Kind regards

The Year 3 and 4 Team  
Mr Reed, Mr Toye, Mrs Thomas, Miss Churchman

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