



# Years 5/6 Home Learning

## Reading:

In Year 5 the children will continue to have their guided 'Book Talk' sessions in class throughout the week and read for pleasure at home. The expectation is that the children record their personal reading in their reading records and bring them into school each Friday to be reviewed.

In Year 6 the children will continue to have weekly comprehension tasks to complete alongside comprehensions lessons in class. We will continue our guided 'Book Talk' sessions in class during the week and we ask that children continue reading for pleasure at home. The expectation is that the children record their personal reading in their reading records and bring them into school once a week to be reviewed.

**Spelling:** Your child will have a set of words to learn each week based on the spelling rules they have been taught in class. For many children these words on the list are the year group's **expected standard**, in line with the National Curriculum. Selected children have 'Word Blaze' spelling lists as an alternative, as they have been identified as having key gaps in their spelling knowledge. All children should be able to **read** all of the words and **learn to spell them for a weekly test** by using the traditional Look/Say/Cover/Write/Check method. Word lists will vary week-to-week in difficulty, depending on the rule. The priority is to learn the spellings and **ensure the children know the rule** as this can then be applied to many other words also. Please support your child in the learning of spellings by encouraging regular 5-minute practice sessions as opposed to 'cramming' the night before or morning of the test; studies have shown that in these cases, spelling patterns are not retained long-term and results in regular errors in extended writing when it really counts!

**NB In Year 6 , all the children will have SATs style spelling tests each week and are expected to be revising these via their reading records and consolidating their recall of previous word lists given.**

**Maths:** All children in Year 5 and 6 continue to have logins for Mathletics. Most weeks they will be set tasks based on what they have been learning in school. However, we expect the children to score a **minimum of 500 points a week**. Should they be regularly unable to access the internet at home, then they will be able to complete their homework using the school computers. The deadline for earning 500 points in a week is Sunday evening, when the site resets and the next weekly homework cycle begins. We support the emphasis in the National Curriculum for Maths that pupils become "fluent in the fundamentals of mathematics". This highlights the importance of children knowing the key mathematical facts and methods and being able to recall them efficiently, and supports their progress in maths, enabling them to apply their knowledge to rapidly and accurately solve problems. In order to support your child's learning and help them to develop their rapid recall skills, we ask that they continue to develop their fluency with their times tables and weekly tests will ensure that the children see their progress and speed increase each week.

**Topic Task:** Be as creative as you like. Show us what you have learned by making, writing, drawing or using technology. You can complete this at any point during the half-term.

**Summer 1 Topic:** This will be due the week beginning 4th June 2018

Y5 -Rivers (Geography) or Properties of Materials (Science)

Y6 – NA- SATs homework revision.

**Summer 2 Topic:**

Y5 'Animals and their habitats' (Create something for the display in your new year group area for September)

Y6- Top 5 reading list recommendations for the new Year 6 group.

