

**READING WITH YOUR CHILD**

Please continue to hear your child read every day, and to discuss the text and new vocabulary with them, to further deepen their comprehension skills. Children that have their diary signed daily will be rewarded with stickers and house points so please ensure that you are recording reading with them. By this point in the year children should be reading at least half of the book on day 1, half of the book on day 2, then re-reading for fluency on day 3.

KEY MENTAL MATHS SKILLS TO REHEARSE ORALLY THIS HALF TERM

Please practise counting speedily in 2s, 5s and 10s so that your child can rapidly recall all of them. In particular we have found children to be finding their 5s a little tricky. Additionally, rapid recall of number bonds to 20 helps hugely with calculation.

Week	Core Task 1	Core Task 2	Phonic/handwriting focus	Deadline for completion
1	In Maths this week we have been revisiting counting forwards and backwards to 100 (we found counting backwards particularly tricky!) as well as the vocabulary more, greater, less and fewer. Please complete pages 7 and 8 of your Maths homework book.	This week in English we have been exploring what makes a sentence and how we know when a sentence is complete. In your green books see if you can match my broken sentences so that they make a complete sentence.	You have been assigned your weekly phonics focus on Seesaw. This shows you the sounds that we have learned this week and gives you the opportunity to practise them. Once you have had a practise, record yourself saying them on Seesaw and upload it.	17/01/2024
2	In Maths we have been working on skip counting in 2s, 5s and 10s as well as measuring mass and weight. Please complete pages 9 and 32 of your Maths homework books.	In Geography we have been learning about the countries that make up the United Kingdom. Find out at least 3 interesting facts about Northern Ireland and write/draw them in your green homework books.	Please complete your assigned phonics focus on Seesaw. Practise writing out your tricky words using careful cursive letters. Remember the letters which should be tall and those that should descend below the line.	24/01/2024
3	In Maths this week we have been identifying and sorting 2D and 3D shapes. Please complete pages 44 and 45 of your Maths homework books.	In English we have been focussing on remembering to use a capital letter after each full stop. Write three consecutive sentences about your weekend and see if you can remember where your capital letters and full stops need to go.	Please complete your assigned phonics focus on Seesaw. Practise writing out your tricky words using careful cursive letters. Remember the letters which should be tall and those that should descend below the line.	31/01/2024
4				07/02/2024