




### 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	Reading 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 8 and 9 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.	We are working hard on our pre-cursive handwriting in Year 1 using our lead in and leads outs. We are not joining our letters but just making the correct shape. When you are writing your English sentences this week try really hard to form each of your letters cursively.	<b>15/01/2025</b>
2	In Maths we have been measuring mass and weight using standard and non-standard measures. Please complete pages 31 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 this survey with your grown up about our Book Drop 2024 book – Invisible Sounds. 	<b>22/01/2025</b>
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.	This week we would love to see you reading outside of school. Where is the most unusual place that you can find to read? Take a photo and post it on Seesaw!	<b>29/01/2025</b>
4	In Maths this week we have been counting in 2s, 5s and 10s to help us count amounts of money. Please complete the worksheet	Create a poster telling people why they should come to visit the United Kingdom. Remember to include the features: a	Read a non-fiction book and see if you spot some of the features that we have identified this week e.g. contents page,	<b>05/01/2025</b>

	in your green homework books.	heading, facts, pictures, labels and a question!	glossary, facts, questions, labels, pictures.	
<b>5</b>	In Maths this week we have begun to look at multiplication using arrays. Please complete page 21 (questions 3-4) of your Maths homework book.	<p>We are working incredibly hard on our pre-cursive handwriting. Finish these sentences using the conjunction 'and' remembering to write in pencil and use your neatest handwriting.</p> <p><b>I like juicy strawberries and...</b></p> <p><b>Jen loves playing football and...</b></p> <p><b>Ben has a fluffy rabbit and...</b></p>	<p>We are working on answering retrieval questions in reading to ensure good comprehension. Here are some examples to try:</p> <p>Is this book fiction or non-fiction? How do you know?</p> <p>Who is the main character?</p> <p>Can you find a word that means.....?</p> <p>Name three things that happens to your character/three facts you have learned.</p>	<b>12/02/2025</b>