

To parents/carers of Osprey class,

First of all, I would just like to say a big welcome to Year 6 and feel it is such a shame that we cannot meet in person just yet. Instead, I wanted to share some of the key information that I hope you will find helpful.

As you know, swimming lessons are not currently taking place in school. Hopefully, we will be able to start running these later on in the year and will keep you informed as and when we know more.

**Maths Homework:** The children will be expected to complete weekly homework. This will include maths homework, which will link with the unit being taught that week and will either be set via MyMaths or will be worksheet based. We would also like the children to keep practicing their times tables using TTRockstars.

**Spelling Homework:** A termly spelling grid will be given to all children and they will be expected to use a spelling strategy of their choice in order to practice their words for the following week's spelling test. We expect them to produce some written work in their homework book to show how they have been practising their spellings. This may consist of a short story, a poem, writing the words in different colours etc. We also expect your child to read for at least 15 minutes every day.

Homework will be set each Thursday and needs to be handed in the following Wednesday, ready for their spelling test. Children will be awarded up to 3 house points for their homework, helping you keep track of how they are getting on. 1HP if it is received on time (minimum expectation); 2HP for a good piece of work and 3HP for something exceptional.

**PE:** We are asking that children bring their PE kit to school each week and take it home each Friday to be washed. PE will usually be on **Tuesday** and **Thursday**.

Reading books are provided in the classroom and children are able to take these home – there is a quarantine box in the classroom to return them safely! If children wish, they can still bring in reading books from home. They will continue to complete reading quizzes on Accelerated Reader when they have finished reading a book.

We are excited to be teaching your children this year and cannot wait to get stuck into the new term!

Kind regards,

Mr Hodges

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