

# Benhurst Primary School

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## Homework - KS1

Dear Parents and carers,

At Benhurst Primary School, homework activities are a vital part of our home/school partnership and all children are expected to take part in a variety of homework tasks to enhance and support learning work in class.

All homework can be found on Google Classroom. Each year group has their own Google Classroom and every child has an individual log in. The log in is your child's google email address and a given password. If you are unaware of your child's log in or password, please ask your class teacher who will endeavour to help you. There will not be any paper copies of homework provided by the school. **All homework will be updated within Google Classroom by 4:30 pm each Wednesday.**

Miss Beach has very kindly offered a drop in surgery on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> of September. This will be in Hedgehog Class (Y1) from 3.45pm until 4.15pm. Please pop along if you have any questions around Google Classroom or need some support with logging in to Google Classroom.

### Our homework is designed to:

- Consolidate and reinforce basic skills and knowledge, especially in English and Maths.
- Provide opportunities for parents and children to work in partnership and to share and enjoy learning experiences.
- Ensure consistency of approach throughout the school.
- Provide opportunities as children get older to develop skills of independent learning. This is particularly important in Year 5 and 6 as they prepare for their journey towards secondary school.



## Reading

Reading is fundamental. In fact, it is one of the most important ingredients to becoming all that you can be. Reading develops your brain, provides a window into the world around you and gives you a greater chance to succeed. It is paramount that you support your child by hearing them at least four times a week and completing their Reading Record.

Each week, every child should be reading at least 4 times every week at home. For Reception and KS1 children this will be recorded in their yellow home/school comment book. The children in YR and Y1 will be provided with two books, one linked to Phonics and one linked to contextual learning. This is to ensure that children are building on their phonic decoding skills for reading as well as developing other reading skills such as picture clues.

## Spelling

Spelling and spelling accuracy are a fundamental element of being a successful writer. To be able to spell words quickly and with fluency will support children to be the best that they can be. We follow a specific spelling scheme called Spell Zoo to support our delivery of the English curriculum. Spelling homework will be set weekly. The spellings set follow the spelling patterns covered in class learning and include common exception words in KS1.

It is important that you support your child to learn, practice and remember these spellings. Spelling homework will be set every Wednesday evening on Google Classroom and will be tested the following Wednesday. There will be no specific spelling set over school holidays.

## Maths

We want our children to be confident, able mathematicians.

**Year 1 and 2 - Mathletics** - Children will be set at least 1 Maths activity per week linked to their Maths Learning in class. The activity will be set weekly and should be within Google Classroom every Wednesday. The children have their own unique logins.

<https://www.mathletics.com/uk/>

## Year 2

**Times Tables Rockstars** - Children should practise their multiplication and division facts by using their Times Tables Rockstars account 5 times a week. This is a fantastic resource that will help the children to build their confidence and speed in recalling these facts. The children have their own unique logins. <https://ttrockstars.com/> They will need to learn the password by heart for when they are required to access the site at school as they are not permitted to have it in written form.

## Topic Learning

Optional project homework will be set each term via Google Classroom. These will link to the children's current topic. The projects are a wonderful opportunity for families to work together and enjoy some shared learning! Class teachers will share a due date for these projects and a certificate will be issued on completion.

Thank you for your support with completing all homework set.

Mrs Garratty  
Assistant Headteacher

