

## Year 1 Homework

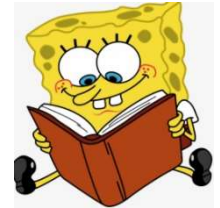


‘Little and often’

Homework doesn't need to be formal! Practising skills (spelling, number work, reading) can be done any time and anywhere – queuing in the supermarket, in the bath, in the car, walking to school, reading words in the environment all around you. Routines often work well for busy family life but variety can also keep things interesting. Using skills in real life situations can give purpose to the practice.

### Reading (daily, wherever possible)

Your child's school reading book is matched to their Read, Write Inc programme and is phonically decodable. Your child will be given a 'book bag' book linked to their RWI level. We would expect this to be read approx. 3 times a week. They will also get the RWI paper book they have been learning this week and this is for them to 'show off' to you so it would be nice if it was read a couple of times in the week. Finally, they will be given RWI **Red and Green** words to support their weekly RWI book. Please encourage your child to **read these daily**. If you are short on time, please make the 'Red and Green' words the priority. This will become a speedy activity with familiarity.



In addition, reading their own books and stories and being read to by others will develop their love of reading. Some things to consider when reading with your child:

- Ask them to make predictions
- Ask simple questions for them to answer
- Talk about the meaning of words they might not know
- Use favourite words in other future contexts and writing
- Discuss and summarise the story with your child
- Help your child infer meaning (e.g. what does someone's actions say about them or their feelings)
- Give a 5\* rating. Did they like the book? Why? Why not?
- **Please record any reading and/or a comment in your child's Reading Record Book. This does not need to be detailed but is just an indication that they have read.**

### Maths (daily, wherever possible)

At school, we value quick recall of number facts. Your child will be given a set of number facts to learn by heart, starting with phase 1 of the number facts. When your child can recall each fact in the set within 3 seconds, they will be celebrated with a certificate and receive the next set of facts. This is an oral activity and will become speedy with familiarity.



### Spelling/Handwriting (daily, wherever possible)

Every morning, your child practises spelling and writing a selection of words from the Year 1 Common Exception Words list. We would like you to help them continue this practice at home on the given sheet. Please focus on letter formation as well as spellings. Your child will be tested on these periodically and will be given a certificate when they have mastered each one on their list 😊.

Feel free to e-mail us at [year1@holt.lincs.sch.uk](mailto:year1@holt.lincs.sch.uk) with any questions or indeed if you want to share instances where you think your child has tried hard and it deserves a special mention!