



'Ensuring Excellence'

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Dear Parents,

Changes to Homework

As you are aware, homework is set every Thursday (either maths or English) and the children have a week to complete it. In addition to this homework, we also expect the children to practise their spellings and Ten for Ten and read either three or four times a week dependent on their year group.

After listening to our families and discussing ideas as a Senior Leadership team, we have decided to remove homework on a Thursday to give families more time to support their children with reading and basic maths and English skills. Parents have expressed concerns over the amount of homework set and in some cases not being able to support their children when completing homework. We appreciate that the way we teach is very different to when parents were at school themselves.

The final Thursday homework will be set today. With this in mind, can I also let families know that Study Centre will no longer take place after this week's session. Every week each class teacher will expect the following to be completed:

- Practise spelling and Ten for Ten (in preparation for their weekly test)
- Achieve reading target each week by reading three (KS2 children) or four times (KS1 children)

If this homework is completed to a high standard each week then it will have a huge impact in the classroom. If children are continually scoring lower marks on their tests or not achieving their reading targets, then teachers will be contacting parents to discuss what they are noticing in class. It is important that children are still keeping their brains active at home too.

Homework for Peacock class will remain as it is. Please contact Mrs Ford or Mrs Beales if you have any further questions.

Yours sincerely,

Miss McGroarty