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Dear Parents

Y6 HOMEWORK IN THE EVENT OF SCHOOL CLOSURE

In the event of school closure, we would like to inform you of the plans that we have in place to support your child's learning.

Y6 Homework Folder:

Within the red folder, you will find:

- All of our online platforms which the pupils have logins for:
 Reading Plus, My Maths, Purple Mash, Times Table Rock Stars
- 5 reading comprehension tasks (with answers)
- 2 sets of tests for reading, maths and grammar (with mark schemes)
- A maths revision exercise book which can be used for all recording when completing online tasks

All recording for homework tasks can be completed in the **exercise book** provided for your child, but please note that these will not be marked by school staff on return to school.

N.B. Please do not begin to use this folder unless school is closed.

Receiving Homework Updates from School:

A weekly letter will be uploaded to the school website every Monday by 9.00am.

It can be viewed by clicking on the **Curriculum and Gallery** button on the **homepage** of the **school website** and then clicking on the **Year Group** for your child.

The weekly letter will contain details of daily **SATs Companion tasks** (grammar or reading / and maths).

If your child finds their **SATs Companion tasks** too challenging, they can access the video lesson first (which takes them through the steps) or search for the topic on **My Maths**, then when they feel more confident they can complete the set task.

In addition to this, children will be expected to complete the following:

- daily 30 minute reading session (either Reading Plus or reading a book from home for pleasure)
- one weekly RE based discussion task

How to use the tests:

On the front of each test paper it states the time that should be spent on each test. Please let your child work through each test independently.

It is advised that your child aims to complete **one test per day**. They should do this in a room with no distractions and follow the set timings. When they have completed a test, please allow your child to have a

learning break. When you are able to, please mark the test with your child and work through any errors they have made. Do allow your child to make corrections. It is strongly recommended to share the mark schemes for the tests with your child - especially for the reading tests - as the questions (and answers) can be very tricky!

Please encourage your child to complete each test in full but make a note of how far they have got in the allocated time.

If you notice something that your child is finding difficult, you can login to **SATs Companion** or **My Maths** to try some further revision of this.

Additional Learning Activities:

If you wish to access **additional learning activities**, then you can encourage your child to use **Purple Mash** which is a website we use in school to teach the computing curriculum.

There is a range of activities on **Purple Mash** e.g. typing practice, spelling practice, maths games, history tasks etc. We would encourage you to make the most of this resource while school is closed.

Furthermore, **Twinkl** (a teaching resource which we use in school) can be accessed by parents for free. To find out more about this, please follow this link: **wwww.twinkl.co.uk/offer**

In order to **summarise the homework guidance** for a potential closure, I have included a table to clarify these arrangements:

FOCUS	TASK(S)	AIM TO COMPLETE	TIMINGS (APPROX.)
English	Reading comprehension / grammar / writing task etc.	ONE TASK PER DAY Monday – Friday	20-30 minutes
Maths	SATs Companion (online lesson and task)	ONE TASK PER DAY Monday – Friday	30 minutes
Reading Plus & Reading for Pleasure	Reading for pleasure (books which you already have at home.	DAILY Monday – Friday	30 minutes
Practice SATs Papers	Reading (x2) Spelling, Punctuation & Grammar (x2) Maths Paper 1 (x2) Maths Paper 2 (x2) Maths Paper 3 (x2)	ONE TEST PER DAY Monday – Friday *these tests should last for 2 weeks	*See timing on the front of the test
R.E. Discussion Task	Research / discussion-based task	ONCE A WEEK	30 minutes

Please note: homework tasks will only be set during term time (not during school holidays).

We kindly request that you do as much as you are able to do with your child during this difficult and uncertain time. Activities in school are introduced and modelled by our class teachers so you may need to sit with your child and guide them as they begin their work.

We hope that this letter will help to reassure you during the current uncertain times. Please visit our **school website** regularly to view any updates.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

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