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Dear Families,

I thought it would be prudent to give a whole school reminder about our homework expectations in each class. Due to the fact that our pupils work so hard in school, we want homework to focus on the most important basic skills (reading, spelling and times tables) so you can support your children in these key areas without feeling overwhelmed with the level of homework that is set.

Here is an overview of the homework expectations for each class:

Reception	Daily reading of school reading book Online Spelling Shed – weekly
Year One	Daily reading of school reading book Online Spelling Shed – weekly Online Numbots – weekly Some additional phonics in spring/summer term (not yet in place)
Year Two	Daily reading of school reading book Learn spellings for test (access to Spelling Shed) – weekly test Online Numbots – weekly
Year Three	Daily reading of school reading book Learn spellings for test (spelling book and access to Spelling Shed) – weekly test Online TTRS – 30 minutes per week
Year Four	Daily reading of school reading book Learn spellings for test (spelling book and access to Spelling Shed) – weekly test Online TTRS – 30 minutes per week
Year Five	Daily reading of school reading book Learn spellings for test (spelling book and access to Spelling Shed) – weekly test Online TTRS – 30 minutes per week
Year Six	Daily reading of school reading book Learn spellings for test (spelling book and access to Spelling Shed) – weekly test Online TTRS – 30 minutes per week Weekly grammar task.

Spelling Shed:

This is an online interactive program. Our staff set up the weekly spelling lists so children can play games to help them learn – these are available from Reception to Year Six. Pupils' logins should be in the front of the Reading Record. For children who attend additional Sounds Write Phonics sessions,



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they have an additional list of phonic words added to their account too. If you require your child's login, please look in their Reading Record.

Numbots:

Numbots is the program before Times Table Rockstars which focus upon foundational mathematical knowledge (doubles, number bonds to 10, near doubles, more, less etc.). There are a range of games and levels to play. In our Celebration Assembly on a Friday, certificates are given out to those children who reach new levels of games. If you require your child's login, please look in their Reading Record.

Times Table Rockstars:

All pupils in Key Stage Two are required to do 30 minutes of TTRS per week; if they do not complete this, they will stay in at lunchtime to complete it. These 30 minutes will count towards the class competition/star players. If you require your child's login, please look in their Reading Record.

Reading Records:

Please sign every time you hear your child read – this is particularly important for junior children too. From Years Three – Six, we ask that you hear your child read daily but at least three times a week. Children in the infants, Reception – Year Two, should be read with more frequently, daily if possible, to ensure their phonics knowledge is embedded.

Attached to this letter is a template of our handwriting scheme and the formation of letters and numbers that we use in All Saints'. If you have any questions regarding any of the above, please get in touch with your child's class teacher and they will be happy to help.

Kind regards,

Frances Stephenson
Head Teacher

