Homework Organisation Year 3

There are 3 main parts to homework in Year 3.

Choices homework, Times Tables Rock Stars and Reading.

'CHOICES' HOMEWORK

We have used a flexible homework system in Key Stage One for a number of years and this has always worked very well, therefore we extend the 'choices' system of homework into Year 3. We realise that families have very busy lives and we hope that our system will allow you to get involved in your child's education without it becoming a burden.

- *Your child will be given a sheet each half term with 10 homework challenges on it from across the curriculum. We would like you to choose <u>at least 2</u> in the half term but feel free to do as many as you want.
- * We will send home a homework folder and book for those who prefer to work on paper. The choices sheet will be stuck inside the book. It will also be posted as an activity on class dojo so you can decide what best suits your child.
- *If you have a busy week, do not feel that you need to squeeze homework into it! When you have a less busy week, choose one of the homework challenges to complete and submit it on class dojo or return the homework book/folder.
- *Each activity has been posted separately on class dojo and we have chosen the most obvious way to record it whether that is by text, photo or video. However, feel free to present it however you would like to.
- *If you want to use a mixture of class do jo and homework book that is fine by us.
- *Homework maybe submitted whenever it is completed.

There is no set day to hand it in.

Teachers will log into class dojo once or twice a week to approve homework so it may not be marked the same day that it is submitted. Homework will be awarded 5 class dojo points whether completed online or on paper. The children will save their dojo points towards rewards - please see end of letter for more detail.

READING

Reading books will be sent home on a Wednesday. Please return on <u>Mondays</u>. Your child will be awarded 5 dojo points for returning the book on time and 5 points for reading it. (If your child is reading chapter books then we do not expect them to read the whole thing in one week.)

TIMES TABLES ROCK STARS

By the end of Year Four, the children are expected to be able to recall by heart all of the times tables facts up to 12 X 12. This will be assessed through the Year Four National Times Table Test in June. As well as being needed for the test, knowing times table facts by heart helps the children to work quickly and accurately across the maths curriculum and therefore we have always practised these in school.

Times Tables Rock Stars is an online application that can be used on desktop and handheld devices. It is a great way for your child to learn their times tables in a fun and engaging way. We have included a password with this letter for your child to log on and get started. Please keep it safe.

Teachers will set tasks for homework. Completing these tasks is where the children will earn their 5 dojo points! Once tasks are completed, there are more fun games for the children to play.

We suggest a few minutes spent daily on the app as regular practise will encourage success in the National Test and future maths lessons.

At first, your child's teacher may only set one or two different times tables. This is to get the children used to using the programme. In time, your child will be set the times tables personal to them.

Thank you for your support and please feel free to ask if you have any queries!

Mrs Hedley and Mr Allison

