

TERM 2 YEARS 3 AND 4 (LOWER KEY STAGE 2: CLASSES 6, 7 AND 8) HOMEWORK

Weekly tasks:

<u>Reading</u>	<u>Spelling</u>	<u>Maths</u>
		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Please try to read with your child 5 times a week, and record the reading in the reading journal. • Try to ensure your child reads a variety of books – fiction and non-fiction. • Try to ensure you also read to your child. (Especially if they are a bit reluctant to read themselves!) • Please try to encourage them to read non-fiction/factual books linked to the current school topic, to help their knowledge and ‘subject-specific’ vocabulary. • Please also try to discourage them from reading too many books from the same author – even the best authors! • Finally, try to encourage them to read some fiction from ‘good’ authors. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Spelling is a high priority this year for children in year 3 and 4 (classes 6, 7 and 8). • It is very common for children to spell words correctly in ‘tests’, but then to spell those same words incorrectly in their writing books. Therefore, we will not be placing high focus on testing, but will be fairly insistent that pieces of work with incorrect spellings get written out again! • The spellings that we are referring to are words such as are/our; which; because; went; with; were/where; their/they’re/there, etc. • We also have a weekly spelling focus, which will usually be a set of root words with additional suffixes or prefixes. • Finally, in our National Curriculum there is a list of random words which Y3 and 4 children are required to be able to spell correctly before they enter year 5, and these will be sent home with your child at the beginning of the year. 	<p>We do not generally set weekly maths tasks. However, we can guarantee that if you help your child to learn their times tables ‘off-by-heart’, then you will help them to succeed in maths!</p> <p>There are numerous internet based resources that should help. Here is a short list of links:</p> <p>http://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button</p> <p>http://www.mad4maths.com/4_x_multiplication_table_math_game/</p> <p>http://www.transum.org/Software/Game/Connect4/</p> <p>http://www.learnyourtables.co.uk/en/index2.htm</p> <p>http://www.topmarks.co.uk/Flash.aspx?f=loopcardsv6</p> <p>http://downloads.bbc.co.uk/skillswise/maths/ma13time/game/ma13tabl-game-tables-grid-find/timestables_2.swf</p>

In addition, you are invited to choose three pieces of homework from our homework 'menu' – one starter, one main and one dessert! Our Topic this term is 'The Romans'

.....Date for homework to be handed into school – On, or before Monday 30th January.....

For Starters!	Mains...	Puddings and Desserts ☺
		
<p>Read online about The Romans from these websites:</p> <p>http://www.primaryhomeworkhelp.co.uk/Romans.html</p> <p>http://www.ngkids.co.uk/history/10-facts-about-the-ancient-Romans</p> <p>http://www.theschoolrun.com/homework-help/roman-empire</p> <p>Watch some videos about the life and times of the Romans –</p> <p>http://www.bbc.co.uk/education/topics/zwmpfg8</p> <p>Watch a video showing how the Roman Empire spread –</p> <p>http://resourcesforhistory.com/map.htm</p>	<p>Learn about Shakespeare's play – Julius Caesar by watching this animated version for children</p> <p>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1nc0ptR3E0U</p> <p>Use Roman numerals to create some addition and subtraction maths sums.</p> <p>http://www.knowtheromans.co.uk/Categories/SubCategories/RomanNumerals/ – Here's a weblink to get you started!</p> <p>Write a fact file on one of the famous Roman Emperors. Here are two links to introduce you to some of them, but you'll have to do some research of your own to find out more!</p> <p>http://www.bbc.co.uk/education/clips/zsf4dmn</p> <p>and</p> <p>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wSC2W8-VaFM</p> <p>Or, you could read some facts about Gladiators from this website –</p> <p>http://quatr.us/romans/games/circus.htm and then write a play, following the instructions from this webpage –</p> <p>http://www.historyforkids.org/crafts/rome/gladiators.htm</p> <p>Read an on-line story about a Roman Gladiator, and write a book review! –</p> <p>https://salariya.com/web_books/gladiator/index.html (The story is here!)</p>	<p>Learn a song called the Boudicca Rap, from Horrible Histories: http://www.dailymotion.com/video/x2nhi4w</p> <p>Make a mosaic with a Roman design. You could use beads, coloured paper or cardboard, or scrunched up tissue paper.</p> <p>Make a clock, with the clock face showing the Roman numerals.</p> <p>Try some Roman arts and crafts from this fun website – http://timetravellerkids.co.uk/fun-stuff/free-projects/roman-craft-projects/ (Activities include making a Roman wax tablet, a serpent bracelet, honey cakes and more!)</p> <p>Please note – we'll be making Roman Shields in school, but don't let this stop you making one at home too!</p> <p>You can go to this site – http://www.bmkids.org.uk/preload.htm Choose the activity to download and print a Roman soldier, who you can cut out and dress.</p>