

Dear Parents/Carers

On the school's website you will find your child's weekly English and Maths homework for them to share with you. This will be related to something we have covered in class, or will be covering in class. Children are to undertake their work by copying it into their homework book. Please encourage best handwriting and presentation in all the work they do. We have also attached your child's Purple Mash and Times Table Rockstars login to their homework book in case they have forgotten them. Work will be regularly set on Purple Mash and we would also strongly encourage children to spend time on Times Table Rockstars practising their tables on a regular basis.

You will notice that on some of the work we send home there is a star or stars at the bottom of the sheets. These are to help differentiate them to the appropriate level for your children. Please choose the level which you feel is the best fit for your child. Children do not need to complete all levels of work, only the one which you have chosen as the most appropriate.

1 star - if you feel your child needs a bit more support this is the most appropriate level.

2 stars - if you feel that your child is working at the average level for their age then this is the most appropriate level.

3 stars - if you feel your child needs a bit more of a challenge then this would be the most appropriate level.

There will also be a topic homework grid. Please choose only one of these pieces of homework to undertake and return at the end of the term.

Please participate in their homework by following this simple advice:

- Do pick a good time to do the homework – preferably not in a rush, and NOT when their favourite programme is on.
- Allow the child to take the lead, only assisting if they are unsure or need something reading or explaining.
- Read the notes on the sheet – often the activity is focussed on one specific skill and other skills are less important, and do not need to be fussed over!
- Be positive! Praise is much more effective as a stimulus to hard work and good learning than criticism.

Thank you for helping your child. You and we will see the benefits!

The Year Four Team