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Dear Parents/Carers

## **Re: Homework**

This year, we are introducing a new homework system. As a school, we believe that properly designed homework can play a valuable part in nurturing a child's education, igniting an interest in learning and shining in a subject area. The [Education Endowment Foundation \(EEF\)](#) state that homework, on average, has a positive impact on a child's education when certain criteria are met. These include making sure that homework is relevant and setting work that is achievable.

Reading at home continues to be an important activity that all children should be doing on a regular basis. In addition to this, every child from year 1 through to year 6 will be provided with two workbooks: one for maths and the other for English grammar. These books have been purchased by the school at no extra cost to parents and carers. They are to be completed and kept at home for the duration of the academic year.

Each week, on a Friday, your child's class teacher will post a new 'activity' on Seesaw stating which pages/topics to complete from each book. The activities should be completed by the end of the following week. Once an activity is complete, the work can be marked using the answers in the back of the book. Finally, a picture can be taken of the activity and posted to Seesaw using the green 'Add Response' button. Teachers may respond with a comment where feedback is necessary as well as giving a 'like'.

All homework activities will be related to the maths and grammar that have already been taught in lessons and will aim to strengthen knowledge and understanding through revisiting and repetition. Each activity covers only one or two pages of the book and should not be an onerous task.

If there are difficulties in completing the tasks for whatever reason, please do not hesitate to contact your child's class teacher to discuss how you and your child can be supported.

Many thanks,

Mr Tim Raybould  
Senior Leader  
Rowling Class Teacher