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Dear Parents and Carers

Year 1 Homework at Archibald

We are writing to let you know about homework in Year 1 for 2023-24

The aims of the homework are:

- To consolidate learning in school.
- To promote cooperation between home and school in supporting each child's learning.
- To help you gain a better understanding of what your child has been learning about at school

Expectations and Routines:

Homework will be sent out on a **Friday**.

Homework is to be uploaded to SeeSaw by the **following Wednesday**.

Each child has been provided with a **unique QR code** that they will need to log in to their new SeeSaw account.

All children will be issued with a homework book. They can complete their weekly maths homework or practise their spellings in the book or, alternatively, on the worksheet itself. All completed homework should be uploaded to SeeSaw. Please do not send books or completed work into school.

All homework will be acknowledged. Homework will not be marked in depth. Common misconceptions will be addressed in class with the children.

If you have a query about homework, we ask that you come into school and discuss it with the teacher in person. Whilst we encourage you to record comments regarding your child's understanding and completion of the task, please note that SeeSaw should not be seen as a means of communication between home and school.

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Reading: We strongly encourage children to read on a daily basis, both school reading books and books of their own choice, to further develop their love of books and reading.

An e-book will be assigned to your child each week via the Collins website for your child to read at home. All children will also access our Year 1 library where they will select a book of their choice that they can read for pleasure at home. This must be returned before a new book will be issued. Please record any reading at home in your child's reading diary. This should include the book assigned to your child weekly via Collins as well as any other books you share together. **Please see the separate letter that provides further guidance for reading.**

Maths:- weekly: This will be a piece of maths work or challenge that will be linked to the work that the children have completed in school. It may be a piece of written work, a problem-solving activity, practical experience or mental maths work to support your child's mathematical knowledge and understanding of numbers.

Numbots: Your child will receive their own unique login for Numbots. This application will help your child develop their understanding, recall and fluency in mental addition and subtraction.

Spelling: There is a strong focus on children learning, and most importantly applying, their spellings within the new curriculum. Spellings, word patterns and spelling rule activities will be sent home on a weekly basis with the words and number of spellings dependent on your child's needs. Children may have a quiz at the end of the week to see which words they can spell from those sent home; however, the big focus will be applying these words into their writing. Please make practising spellings as fun as possible, for example, writing the words with magnetic letters, alphabet spaghetti, or displaying the words around your home.

Handwriting – Each child will receive their own handwriting booklet over the next few weeks to complete at home at your own leisure. Your child will continue to be taught weekly handwriting lessons at school.

Please note that handwriting practise does not need to be returned to school.

Thank you for your continued support. Please do come and speak to us if you have any queries regarding homework.

Kind regards

Kathryn Howard

Key Stage 1 Leader

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