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KS1 Homework

Dear Parents and carers,

We value the support and guidance parents give to children at home and we are fortunate at The Hendreds to have supportive parents that recognise learning continues beyond school. We thought it might be helpful to summarise what the homework expectations are in **EYFS** and **key stage 1 (class 1 and 2)** and how you can support your child.

1. Reading

We suggest your child reads with you at home for **at least 10 minutes every day**. This can be a combination of them reading to you and you reading with them.

Reading for pleasure (sharing book)

- When children first arrive as a tiddler at The Hendreds, they will bring home a book they have chosen for pleasure. This reading for pleasure book selection is something that all children (no matter the age) will continue to bring home while at The Hendreds.
- Please remember that you shouldn't expect your child to read this alone. Read it to or with them. Discuss the pictures, enjoy the story, predict what might happen next, use different voices for the characters, and explore the facts in a non-fiction book. The main thing is that you have fun.

Reading practice book (Little Wandle decodable book)

- This comes home on a Thursday once your child has had 3 opportunities to read it in school. It needs to be returned on a Monday. The book has been carefully matched to your child's current reading level. If your child is reading it with little help, please don't worry that it's too easy – your child needs to develop fluency and confidence in reading.
- Listen to them read the book. Remember to give them lots of praise – celebrate their success! If they can't read a word, read it to them. After they have finished, talk about the book together.
- You can also access free support at www.littlewandlelettersandsounds.org.uk/resources/for-parents which includes some useful videos so you can see how they are taught at school and feel confident about supporting their reading at home.



2. Number facts

- All KS1 children have school logins for **Numbots** that they can access at home. Numbots is from the same innovators as Times Tables Rock Stars, a highly engaging platform for learning to add and subtract. Children can play this online at home at <https://play.numbots.com> on a desktop or laptop computer or you can download the free NumBots app for use on a mobile phone or tablet from your usual app store.
- Any fun activities you can do at home to help secure their sense of number are always helpful e.g. how many more pieces of lego do you need if you want 10 red pieces; show me 10 pieces of pasta.
- Children have opportunity to access Numbots in school and we suggest that they practise number facts (e.g. verbally or on Numbots) with you at home for **at least 10-15 minutes each week**.



Please speak to either of us if you have any questions.

Best wishes,

Mrs Dernie and Mrs May