

28th March 2018

Dear parent/carer,

Over the Easter holidays we are giving the children the option to complete some homework tasks. Although these are optional, they will support your child with their learning and preparation for upcoming SATs.

The tasks are as follows:

- 90 words in 60 seconds
- SAT style reading comprehension
- High frequency word mat – can your child read and spell these words?

90 words in 60 seconds.

Guidance from the government: children working at age relate expectations should be able to read 90 words in 60 seconds. To improve children's reading speed we have been timing them in class using short texts. Share the text with your child and get them to read it to you while you time them. Mark the word they get to and share with them the number of words they read. Next time you do this, encourage your child to try and beat their word count.

SAT style reading comprehension

In May, all children in year 2 will complete their SAT papers. In order to develop the skills needed for the reading paper we have sent a previous test for children to practise. Allow your child to complete this independently. They are familiar with this routine: read the text carefully, read the question and underline important key words and words in **bold**, answer the question and check it makes sense. Once they have finished, mark the paper with your child and discuss any mistakes they may have made. You will find the mark sheet with the reading paper.

High frequency words

In order to be at age related expectations, children need to be able to read and spell certain words. Attached are the words they need to be able to read and spell to meet this expectation. Listen to your child read them and highlight the words they can read. Give them the chance to spell the words and repeat this throughout the break, encouraging them to beat their score each time.

My Maths homework will also be available online.

Thank you for your continued support.

Year 2 team