



North Downs Primary School

Welcome to Year 2!



Weekly routine

- ▶ Uniform expectations:
 - ▶ Named uniform PLEASE!
 - ▶ Children only need bags, water bottles, lunch boxes, and a coat (need these at all times).

- ▶ PE days: Mondays and Thursdays - please bring children to school in their kit.
 - ▶ No jewellery (unless they are earrings that can be removed by your child).
 - ▶ Long hair tied back.
 - ▶ Please write in your child's diary if they cannot undertake PE.



Communication

The easiest way to communicate with us is to place a message in the homework diary. These are signed daily.

Absences or appointments should be emailed to info@northdowns.surrey.sch.uk



Collection Arrangements

- ▶ If you have collection arrangements with other parents/grandparents/neighbours, please email: info@northdowns.surrey.sch.uk
- ▶ If you have a last minute collection change, please ring the office.



Homework Diary

- ▶ Write END: this helps us know when children have finished their reading books and are ready to swap for a new one.
- ▶ We only expect a simple sign/initial both the Reading and KIRF columns.
- ▶ The children have log-ins in the backs of their diaries so they can access websites to practise any additional learning you may want to do at home.

Week Beginning: **13 September**  **2021**

Reading record

| Date | Book Title/ Comment | KIRF |
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Home-School Liaison Page

This page is for parents, staff or pupils to write messages for home or school. Details of homework and spellings may be written here.

Blank area for writing messages, homework details, and spellings.



Homework: Reading

- ▶ Read every night up to 15mins.
- ▶ 10 mins reading, 5 mins questions.
 - ▶ Reading tips (see diary: 'Practice Reading Skills' page).
 - ▶ Reading for understanding.
 - ▶ Quality rather than quantity.
- ▶ Diaries - signed every day (both reading and KIRF columns).
- ▶ Diaries will be looked at by Teachers daily.
- ▶ Watch out for any messages on fortnightly Learning Letter.
- ▶ Bookmarks to assist with comprehension.



Homework: Maths

- ▶ Please attempt some Maths everyday.
- ▶ We focus on half termly Year 2 KIRFs which can be found in the diary - 'Key Instant Recall Facts' page.
- ▶ These are also on the school website.
- ▶ We have a school push on times tables as children are now tested at the end of Year 4 so there will be weekly tables tests.

Homework: Spellings

- ▶ These are a big focus in Year 2.
- ▶ Spelling patterns and Common Exception words for Year 2 will be sent home every Friday in diaries.
- ▶ Spelling bingo grid.

Bingo spelling grid

Choose one of the activities for spelling homework, in addition to learning the spelling rules. Complete the activity in the back of your homework book. Label your work with the activity number and colour the appropriate place on this grid. Parents/Carers feel free to comment or write in the book or stick in games etc.

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| 1* Make a wordsearch with your words. List them underneath. | 2* Write a sentence for each word to explain its meaning. | 3* Write rhymes for each of your words. | 4* Write your words on cards. Select 6 to put on a bingo grid. Turn cards over one by one. If you have word and can spell it, you can cover it. |
| 5* Play charades with your words. When someone has guessed the word, spell it. | 6* Put your words to a number code eg A=1, B=2 | 7* Arrange your words in alphabetical order. | 8* Use each of your words in a silly sentence. Underline the word used. |
| 9* Sit back to back with a partner and test your words. | 10* Write your words in different fonts and colours. | 11* Write out your words, cut into parts that help you to learn them and glue them in. | 12* Design a board game to play with your words. Write the rules too. |
| 13* Illustrate each of your words with a picture. | 14* Play hangman with a partner using your words. | 15* Paint your words with paint (in the book) or water (outside). | 16* Write your words in colourful bubble writing. |



Other homework

- ▶ Any other homework: every Friday due the following Wednesday.
- ▶ This will generally alternate between Maths and English.
- ▶ Any help can be given and is greatly appreciated!

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At North Downs Primary, we believe in the deliverance of high-quality English education. It is our aim that each child should be able to work at their very best in this essential area of study – to lay the foundations of confidence in future life. English spans through the whole school curriculum, our expectations of high standards of language and literacy will equip the children for future life. Progress to do their very best and always aiming above and beyond- indeed a love of learning, to develop good reading habits- for pleasure and wider information; to read fluently, with sound understanding; to read fluently, with sound understanding;

- to acquire a wide vocabulary, with an understanding and confidence of grammar and linguistic conventions in spoken, reading and written tasks.



Class Help

- ▶ FONDS are invaluable to North Downs! They need all the help and support they can get.
- ▶ Please also support our lovely class reps.



Thanks for listening!