

Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> September 2022



### YR1 Homework

Dear Parents/ Carers,

Your child has had a fantastic start to Year One. The teaching team in Farmers have been so impressed with how well the children have come back after the holidays and settled into school. They have been enthusiastic about their learning and have tried their best which has been fantastic to see.

At St. Mary's, we set weekly homework tasks for the children in Years 1-6 so that they can practise and consolidate their learning.

In Year One the children will have weekly spellings to practise and a Maths or English task to complete. They must also continue to practise their reading and phonic skills by reading at home daily.

Please support your child by creating a calm environment for them to complete their homework task, allow them plenty of time, read any questions and explain the task if they are unsure of what to do and most importantly, praise them for trying their best.

**YR1 Homework** will be sent home on **Thursdays** and is should be **handed in by the following Wednesday**.

If you have any questions about the homework please do not hesitate to contact us.

Thank you for your support as we look forward to an exciting year!

Mrs Vale and Mrs Morgan  
Early Years Teaching Team

### How else could you help Your Child at home?

- Read stories daily to your child and use them as an opportunity to talk about the characters and events

in the story. You could also discuss some of the details children have spotted in the pictures, such as the character's facial expressions.

- Listen to your child read their RWI reading book on a daily basis
- Have lots of conversations with your child throughout the day. Try and increase their vocabulary by using a wide range of vocabulary, explain the meaning of new and unfamiliar words.
- Practise counting with your child and looking at groups of items. Explore what happens to numbers when you put these small groups of items together, or split a larger group into two smaller groups. Create number sentences for what they observe e.g.  $5+5=10$ , Five add five equals ten, Five and five more makes ten.
- Support your child with their writing by checking they are forming their letters in the correct way and holding a pencil properly. Encourage your child to sound out words before writing them using 'Fred Fingers' for spelling.
- Encourage your child to make healthy food and drink choices, especially related to sugar content and how this can affect teeth. Also, support your child to properly brush their teeth at least twice a day at home.
- Plan activities that allow your child to be active and develop their strength through large body movements as well as smaller, more precise movements.
- Encourage your child to 'Always do their best' and praise, praise, praise them!
- If your child does not know an answer, tell them and show them how to find it.

