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Dear Parents and Carers,

Re: Home Learning

As we prepare for the upcoming term, we are pleased to share our Home Learning Overview for Autumn 2. Our home learning provision is designed to build strong learning habits, keep you informed about what your child is studying, and offer opportunities for pupils to stretch and challenge themselves beyond the classroom. We hope that providing advanced notice of the home learning to expect throughout the term will assist with planning at home.

Why Home Learning Matters

Research by the Education Endowment Foundation (EEF) highlights that regular, well-structured home learning makes a genuine difference, adding an average of +5 to +6 months of academic progress - particularly when digital tools are involved. Rather than assigning large volumes of work, research shows that learning at home is most effective when tasks are short, focused, and directly connected to what students are learning in the classroom. When home learning has a clear purpose and is backed by quality teacher feedback, it provides a powerful boost to your child's confidence and progress. Furthermore, home learning enables students to develop good habits: independence, responsibility, organisation and commitment.

The Home Learning Overview Grid

- **Compulsory Tasks:** All core, required tasks are set by teachers on Google Classroom. Parents and carers are encouraged to view and track these set tasks through **Edulink**.
- **Big Questions for the Dinner Table (extend and enrich):** These questions are designed to spark curiosity, deeper thinking, and a shared love of learning. Rather than testing for "right" answers, these open-ended prompts encourage informal, relaxed family discussions that help children explore ideas, ask questions, and connect their learning to the wider world.
- **Read / Watch / Listen (extend and enrich):** These suggestions have been chosen to further extend learning beyond the classroom, cultivate a lasting love of learning, and engage and inspire your child's curiosity.

Thank you for your ongoing support with home learning and for helping your child establish good, consistent routines. If you have any questions regarding homework, please reach out to your child's teacher in the first instance.

Yours sincerely

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