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Dear parents/carers of **KS1** children,

Homework

All children will be taking a book home to read with an adult for pleasure this week. Once we have a clear indication of the children's phonics/reading level, we will send an additional book home weekly which either closely matches the phonics that they are learning, or is appropriate for their reading level. Upon return, books will be 'quarantined' before given out again.

We have listened to some feedback from parents/carers and decided that KS1 will not have homework in addition to their reading books for now.

We are trying to reduce the amount of items which are going between home and school so we will not be sending reading records. However, we do value the reading and work that children do at home, and would like to be able to praise children when they complete this. Therefore, we are going to trial asking parents/carer to complete a short Google Forms which simply includes the following:

KS1 reading

* Required

Name of child *

Your answer

Has your child read to you three times this week? *

Yes

No

Submit

The school will send a weekly email (on a Friday) with a link to the Google Form for you to complete by the Wednesday.

Contingency planning

For Covid- 19 absences and bubble closures, we have planned learning packs which replicate the home learning approach that we delivered during lockdown.

- If your child requires a test, we will send you a three-day learning pack via email.
- If there is a bubble closure, we will put the home learning for the bubble on the class blog.



Children are **not expected** to do this work if they are feeling unwell. The child's wellbeing is the highest priority.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions.

Many thanks,

Ben Paxman
Headteacher

