



### How can I help my child with reading?

Here are some simple suggestions for use when sharing stories/ texts with your child:

- Talk about the front cover - title, author, illustrator
- Talk about the blurb and/or pictures to predict what the story might be about
- Listen to them read, encouraging fluency & expression
- Encourage them to use different strategies for words they do not know.
- Sign and complete the reading record (if appropriate)
- Share enjoyment of reading by modelling your enjoyment of books you like.
- Share and encourage a wide variety of texts including newspapers and magazine articles.

### How can I help my child with spelling?



When learning new words children can use the method we teach in school:

- Look at the word**
- Cover the word**
- Write the word**
- Check the word**



### How can I help my child with maths and number work?



You can:

- Encourage the correct formation of numbers and the proper layout and presentation of sums.
- Check your child's work and if you find a mistake, talk about what they did.
- Let your child work out the answer.
- Help to memorise number bonds and tables.
- Use everyday situations to apply skills they have learned e.g. Telling the time, reading timetables, weighing out ingredients, sharing out items etc
- Play number games and puzzles together.
- Make use of maths and number websites.

#### REMEMBER

Friday= Homework given out.

Wednesday= Homework lunch club.

Friday= Completed homework returned to school.

Tuesday= Homework catchup

#### Website

[www.ewanrigg.cumbria.sch.uk](http://www.ewanrigg.cumbria.sch.uk)

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### Guidance and Advice for Parents

# 'Be All You Can Be'

*Look, Listen, Learn, Love, and Laugh!*

When learning tables remember to ask the questions out of order. E.g.  $3 \times 2 =$   $7 \times 2 =$   $4 \times 2 =$   $8 \times 2 =$



### Why does my child get homework?

Homework gives all children the opportunity to revise and consolidate skills learned in class and to apply skills of investigation and research.

In Ewanrigg Junior School homework is valuable, varied, interesting and enjoyable. It is provided at every age with the amount increasing as children progress through school.

To fit in with our target to reduce waste, as much homework as possible will now be paperless.

### How can I help my child with their homework?

Establishing a good routine will help your child to develop a positive approach to their homework. This can be done by:

- Setting a regular time when homework has to be done.
- Providing a quiet, relaxed atmosphere with no distractions e.g. TV is switched off.
- Checking your child's school bag for homework. If your child is in Upper School home work tasks should be written in their Home Learning Diary.
- Encourage acceptable standards of presentation.

### How much homework will my child receive?

Your child will be set several pieces of homework every Friday. If your child is absent it is his/her responsibility to collect when he / she returns to school!

These will be:

#### Maths

- Weekly Times Table Rockstar tasks- ONLINE

#### Spellings/ Handwriting

- Your child will receive up to 20 spellings from Junior Spelling groups based on sounds/ spelling patterns that your child has been learning that week plus challenge words. The children will also use these words as handwriting practise in a handwriting book. If the handwriting book is lost there will be a replacement cost of 50p. -THIS WILL BE PAPER BASED HOMEWORK
- A spelling test will take place every Friday. If a child doesn't pass their individual target then they will go to Homework Catch Up for further support.

#### Reading

- Listening to your child read or reading to your child is extremely beneficial to your child's progress and the understanding of books. Children should read for 10-15 minutes, a minimum of 4 times per week. Parents need to sign the child's Reading Record. Your child has access to the Accelerated Reader website to quiz at home. <https://ukhosted58.renlearn.co.uk/2235892>

#### Reading Eggspress

Your child has access to Reading Eggspress. They can use this as often as they choose.

### When does my child's homework need to be handed back into school?

ALL homework is required to be in school by the following FRIDAY.



Your child can attend homework catch up clubs during the week:

- Any child who would like to do their homework during Wednesday lunch time can do it at that time.
- Any child can attend Times Tables Rock star lunch club on Wednesday.

If your child still fails to complete homework by the FRIDAY then they will need to catch up on their homework during lunch time on TUESDAY of the following week.