

### Homework

Homework is usually given weekly although homework activities linked to the topic's **Imaginative Learning Project** are set by the class teacher at the start of each half term. Maths homework will be set in a variety of ways, mainly through **Mathletics** online activities.

### How you can support your child's learning at home

- ✓ Spend time reading/sharing a book with your child.
- ✓ Read your child's school reading book with them daily and comment in their reading diary.
- ✓ Use the local library to encourage reading and support topic work.
- ✓ Practise times tables given by the teacher
- ✓ Use everyday opportunities to reinforce problem solving in their head.
- ✓ Try not to impose teaching methods you experienced at school – ask the children to explain their methods to you.
- ✓ Practise spellings given by the teacher
- ✓ Encourage your child to talk about their learning
- ✓ Ensure that they have a quiet and suitable space for the completion of their homework.

### Reading Diaries

Your child's reading diary and bug club account will be checked on a regular basis (please refer to the reading expectations on the academy website for more detail). We are currently running a **reading competition**, to read 5 times per week (please initial or comment to confirm when they have read). Please read with your children at home and ensure diaries are brought into school every day.



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**For Parents**

In **Mathematics** we will be focussing on the following

- Decimals and fractions
- Converting units of measure
- Area and perimeter
- Addition and subtraction – Multi-step problems
- Measures – Use all four operations to solve problems

In **English** we will be focussing on the following:

All the work will be based around our imaginative learning project and will include:

- A persuasive letter to the head to allow our trip
- A description of the planet earth and a made up alien world
- A narrative based on myths and legends inspired by the moon

### Other Areas of the Curriculum

<b>Computing</b> Scratch animation	<b>Science</b> Space: phases of the moon	<b>Music</b> Analysing music such as 'The Planets'
<b>RE</b> Christianity	<b>PE</b> Invasion Games	<b>Geography</b> Locating launch sites around the world
<b>Art</b> Clay models and sewing	<b>MFL</b> French	<b>Design &amp; Technology</b> Model making of the solar system
	<b>PSHE &amp; British Values</b> Multi-faith	

Our **Imaginative Learning Project** theme this term is...



These are some of the questions that we will be finding the answers to:

- What planets are in our solar system?
- How did we reach the moon and what the timeline of space travel?
- Who some of the important people involved in space travel are?
- Why does the moon appear to change shape?

#### Hook day:

21.11.17

Visit to National Space Centre Cost: £25

**Can you help?** Anything associated with this terms topic would be greatly appreciated! (Books, artefacts etc.)