

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Each week, during term time, all children in Emerald Class will be given suitable home reading books and differentiated homework. Up to ten spellings will be sent home on a Tuesday with a test held on those spellings the following Tuesday. Every Friday, in their homework books, both mathematics and literacy work will be set for children to complete. They will have until the following Thursday to finish and return their work to class.

The aims in giving out such work include providing your child with valuable practise in what has been learnt in the classroom along with teaching a host of other important life skills (from time management and responsibility to organization and prioritisation). It will also, hopefully, provide you with a valuable source of progression evidence and encourage your child to discuss what they are learning at school.

That said, having a good social and family life is of paramount importance. In short, we want our pupils to have fun and a well-balanced life. They need to have sufficient "downtime" and the opportunity to play after school and our goal is that we provide an environment where children explore, experiment and enjoy learning without feeling pressured. Therefore, we fully understand if you feel your child should not complete their homework. In such instances please could you just initial and date the pages of set work - that way we know the homework was not lost on the way home! Equally, please do not hesitate to contact us should the set work create any elements that you wish us to be informed of.

We want homework to create another bridge between school and home.

Emerald Class Team.