

Park Lane Prímary & Nursery School

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Dear Parents & Carers,

Homework will be resuming in the next week or so. We hope you and your children find our new approach to homework a positive and sensible way forward.

Homework Expectations:

- Homework will be sent home on a Friday and returned the following Friday.
- Two homework activities will be set each week: spellings and maths.
- Both spellings and maths will use a Look Cover Write Check grid.
- For four days we would like each child to spend a few minutes each day practising a spellings and a maths skill at home.
- On the fifth day we would like you to do a little test with them at home to see if they can remember what they have been practising during the week. The children will write their answers in the fifth column on the sheet.

Why are we doing this?

- We would like the children to do **little and often** as we believe this is how children learn best and it will help them to remember what they have learnt for a long time.
- We would like homework to be as easy as possible to understand, and as easy as possible for your children to complete.
- We would like homework to be a positive moment in every family; encouraging your child to practise a new skill each day and to celebrate their success is a good thing for a family to do.
- We would like homework to take less time so that you and your children have as much time as possible to read, share and talk about books. As teachers we believe this is one of the most important things parents can do to help their children learn at home.
- We are sending homework home in exercise books because we know that many families struggle to give their children access to homework online.

We will be trialling this approach for a few weeks and making tweaks as we go along.

Our best wishes,

Mr Rob Litten

Executive Headteacher

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