DOTHILL PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Carers,

At Dothill, we recognise the importance of completing learning at home, therefore would like to reinforce our homework expectations for our pupils.

<u>Reading</u>

Children are asked to read at home with an adult **at least four times** each week. Parents are asked to write a signature with the dates in the Reading Record each week to confirm their child has read.

<u>Maths</u>

EYFS and Key Stage One

Children are asked to access NumBots for at least 10 minutes each week. NumBots is all about children deepening their understanding, recall and fluency in mental addition and subtraction, so that they move from counting to calculating. Year two children will also access Times Tables Rock Stars.

Key Stage Two

Children are asked to rehearse times tables weekly using Times Tables Rock Stars. This includes 15 minutes practice in the Garage and 2 minutes in the Studio each week during term time. The best way to complete this is 'little and often' throughout the week.

Spelling

Children in years one to four, will receive a list of spelling that they need to practice at home. They are then expected to spell these words correctly in their writing. Again, the best way to learn is 'little and often' so practicing for a small amount of time each day is most effective.

Topic Project

In addition to the weekly maths and reading homework, children will be set a topic related project at the start of each half term. This homework will be linked to different areas across the curriculum over the year, for example, Stone Age in History or Space in Science. These projects give pupils opportunity to creative and share their findings in a variety of ways - a 3D model, a video, a poster and so on. At the end of each half term, children are invited to bring their work into school to share with their class. We have already seen some amazing projects this year and encourage pupils to take part in this to embrace their love of learning.

Homework projects will be set on year group pages each half term, which can be found on the school website. We will no longer be using Seesaw in school for setting homework or sending messages. You will find everything on the school website, and we will continue to send information via email.

Thank you for your continued support

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