



Hartwell Primary
School

Dear Parents,

Welcome back and into Key Stage 2. I am really excited about working with your child this term as I have heard wonderful things about how positive and enthusiastic they are!



Please find attached the curriculum overview for this term; we have some very exciting things to look forward to! I hope that you will be able to follow the information given and therefore support your child's learning in school.

Homework

Homework continues to be an important means by which school work can be further practised or extended so in year three, homework will be sent home as follows:

- Spellings will be given out on a **Tuesday** and tested the following **Tuesday**.
- Times tables will be tested every **Wednesday**, where we will all be striving to reach the 144 club!
- Either a Maths or Literacy homework will be set each week. The day it will be given out will be a **Thursday** and handed in by the following **Wednesday** so that it can be returned the following day. Homework tasks follow on from recent class work and are designed to be completed independently. However, if your child needs support in completing their homework task, please make a note of this at the bottom of their page.
- Reading: children need to read at home at least **four** times each week to an adult. This should be recorded in their home - school diaries. Any independent reading carried out in class will also be recorded on the notes page so you can see how they are progressing. Children will be completing guided reading sessions where their reading will also be monitored. Home school diaries will be collected in every **Monday** morning and credit points will be awarded to those children who have completed three lots of reading at home each week.

Each homework task is designed to take no longer than 20 minutes. Therefore if you are finding that a homework is taking longer please stop the children after this time and record where they got to. Additionally, if your child has needed support to complete their task, please also make a note of this at the bottom of the page. I am always happy to discuss homework and provide extra support where needed.

Independence is key in the step up to Key Stage 2. To aid in this step could you please make sure your child has their home school diary, reading book and language book in school **every day**. If there is something we need to be made aware of e.g. doctors / dentist appointments / being picked up by another adult please also make a note of this in your child's diary and **ensure they hand it to us in the morning** as these will not be checked on a regular basis unless a note is brought to our attention.



Water bottles have been provided for the start of term and should be taken home to be washed every Friday to ensure they stay clean and hygienic!

PE this term will be on a **Tuesday (Rugby)** and **Thursday (Real PE)**. Please make sure PE kits are in school for these days. As it gets cooler, children will need the appropriate school tracksuit bottoms and tops to wear for the Rugby outside sessions, alongside trainers for outdoor activities.

Please feel free to call in and see me if there is ever anything you wish to discuss or clarify. I am very much looking forward to meeting you all over the coming few weeks.

Yours Sincerely
Miss James