Homework Expectations
Year 5

All pupils in Year 5 are provided with a School Planner. This is used to record all of their homework and reading. School Planners come into school and go home each day, with the exception of a Thursday evening/Friday morning where they are retained by teachers to mark homework etc.

Reading at Home

Children are expected to read at home at least three times a week. Each occasion should be for a minimum of 10 minutes. As Year 5s, most children will be reading a range of texts with confidence. That said, they will still benefit from sometimes reading to an adult or older sibling who can help with reading with more expression or perhaps discussing more challenging words or phrases. Each week in the School Planner, there is a double page for recording reading at home. Adults (or confident children) just need to record the book and pages read, and initial in the space provided. There is enough room for additional comments should any be required.

Each week, children who have read three times at home that week have a raffle ticket entered into the draw. Any additional reading over three times earns an extra ticket. In our Tuesday assemblies, we will choose a ticket at random for Key Stage One, and one for Key Stage Two. Winners are then able to choose a prize from a special selection of prizes.

Reading at home is checked on a Thursday by the class teacher or teaching assistant.

Spellings

Children are provided with between five and ten spellings each week to practise and learn at home. These are recorded in the School Planner at school on a Friday. There is space provided in the School Planner for each spelling to be practised twice. Parents and carers may well encourage their child to practise these spellings more than this. Children also need to choose five of the spellings to write into simple sentences. These are also recorded in the School Planner on the page opposite the spellings. Children are expected to make a significant effort with their presentation, and the school's handwriting style is clearly modelled on each page for a reference point.

Maths Fact Families

Children are required to learn one fact family each week. A fact family is four different number sentences which all use the same numbers. In Year 5, these will mostly be multiplication and division facts, and may start to go beyond the 12 x 12 multiplication tables.

For example:	5 x 4 = 20	or	7 x 0.4 = 2.8
	4 x 5 = 20		0.4 x 7 = 2.8
	20 ÷ 5 = 4		2.8 ÷ 7 = 0.4
	20 ÷ 4 = 5		2.8 ÷ 0.4 = 7

Fact families are recorded in the School Planner for information for parents and carers. How children practise and learn the fact family is at the discretion of the parent or carer.