

**Total time allocation:** approximately two hours per week

<b>Task</b>	<b>When given</b>	<b>Context</b>
Reading	Independent reading should be daily and to an adult three times a week.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>School reading book, other books from the home and the library – encouraging a wide choice, talking to the child about their reading and their understanding of what they are reading;</li> </ul>
Spellings	weekly	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Spellings - a list of words which are linked to a spelling rule or the child's own work. The child should be encouraged to look at each word carefully, say it, cover it up, write it from memory and then check it. This process can be repeated several times. The words are assessed in class.</li> <li>The number of words will vary based on the challenge.</li> <li>Statutory words are also given weekly.</li> </ul>
Tables	weekly	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Tables - 2x – 12x tables and related division facts.</li> </ul>
Literacy and Maths	weekly	<p>Literacy: An activity to support classroom Literacy. Literacy activities are rotated each week according to the following cycle: Comprehension, Research/ short writing task, Comprehension, Writing task, Comprehension. GPS tasks are also given fortnightly.</p> <p>The final Literacy homework for each half term is also a themed, creative homework.</p> <p>Maths: An activity to support classroom Maths alongside a set of arithmetic questions.</p>

### **Suggestions for other activities to do at home to develop children's learning:**

- Encouraging a wider interest in reading by regularly sharing books with an adult, talking about pictures, characters, events and sequence of stories, predicting the end or what will happen next, discussing inference, going to the library, fiction and non-fiction, comics and magazines, internet.
- Using and applying mathematical skills – shopping (sum and change), exchange rate when abroad, TV times, how long are programmes, ingredients for cooking (weighing, measuring, estimating).
- Board games that encourage strategy, games with money, word games – e.g. Monopoly, Scrabble, Mastermind, Cluedo, Draughts, Chess and many more!
- Travel games for long car journeys.
- Encouraging learning in life situations – helping at home, in the garden, shopping, pocket money, party invitations, thank you letters, being a part of planning family events/outings/holidays, taking greater personal responsibility, etc.
- Encourage a wide general understanding in local places of interest – trips and visits during the holidays or at weekends.
- Science – encourage a wider interest and understanding of the world around them; evaporation, condensation, drying clothes, preserving food, weather, shadows, cooking etc.