



Emersons Green Primary School
Year 2 Term 1 Homework

READING

Reading at home. You can read your school book or a book you have at home. You can read other things as well like information books, instructions for games or models, recipes and even Top Trump cards. It is also good to listen to stories read by adults like mum or dad, older brothers and sisters or a story CD. Please write down what you read in your reading record book.

Please remember to ask your children questions about what they have read to check their understanding.

In English we are reading stories with familiar settings. We will be reading 'Dogger' by Shirley Hughes. We will be looking at adjectives and looking at how they are used in sentences.

At home:

- Can you draw a picture of the story setting and think of words to describe it?
- Can you draw a picture of the characters and think of words to describe them?

We will also be reading instructions and looking at how instructions are organised.

At home:

- Can you read instructions to make something? (for example a recipe or instructions to make something or how to play a game)
- Can you write an instruction booklet for your friends to read?

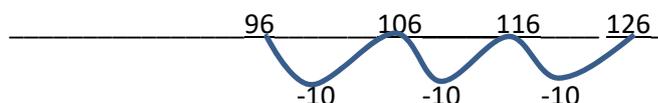
SPELLINGS

There will be a weekly spelling list to learn for a test the following week.

This term we will be looking at alternative ways of spelling vowel digraphs and learning to spell words that contain these. We will also be learning High Frequency Words that the children need to learn and remember.

MATHS

- We will be using place value cards to work out the value of each digit in 2-digit numbers. We will then be using this knowledge to place numbers in order.
- We will be learning how to
- We will be **partitioning** two-digit numbers to add numbers together. For example: $46 + 22 = \underline{\quad}$
 $(40 + 6) + (20 + 2) =$
 $40 + 20 = 60 \qquad 6 + 2 = 8$
 $60 + 8 = 68$
- We will be learning how to count on and count backwards in hundreds, tens and ones from any number.
- We will be using a blank number line to **subtract**. For example: $126 - 30 = \underline{\quad}$



Science

In Science we are finding out about **Health and Growth**.

We will be looking at the different food groups and what a balanced meal should have in it. We will also be thinking of ways to stay healthy, for example, doing exercise, washings hands, cleaning teeth.

Activity 1

Can you design a healthy packed lunch for a school trip?

Activity 2

Can you make a poster to remind children to wash their hands after going to the toilet or before eating any food?



Dear Parents,

Welcome to Year 2! We're looking forward to meeting you all at our 'Meet the Teacher' meeting. Please do not hesitate to catch us on the playground if you have any questions.

In our **English** lessons this term we are reading stories with familiar settings and will be focusing on the book 'Dogger' by Shirley Hughes. We will also be reading a variety of poems about The Night. Our non-fiction work will be looking at instruction texts and hopefully we will be making space rockets and blackberry and apple jam.

We will have a weekly spelling test on a Friday. A copy of this term's spellings will be sent home and is also available on the school website. It would help if children could practise spelling these words every day. Please practise the sound, spelling pattern or rule they are learning. They will also have High Frequency Words to learn. They have to LOOK at the word, SAY the word, SPELL the word out loud, COVER the word, WRITE the word from memory and then CHECK the word to make sure it is spelt correctly.

The children have all been given reading books to take home. Please hear your child read or read to them as much as possible, and remember to ask some 'Reading Hat' questions! They will have the opportunity to change their reading book every morning during registration or during Guided Reading lessons. The children will also have the opportunity to borrow a book from the school library.

In our **Maths** lessons we will be having a daily Big Maths session. This consists of Counting, Learn Its, It's Nothing New and Calculation. There will be a test every Friday to practise our 'Learn Its'. This term's Learn Its will be sent home to practise and a test will be on a Friday morning. Big Maths will be followed by work on various maths topics that include place value, addition and subtraction and money.

Our **Science** work this half term is all about Health and Growth. We will be learning that animals (including humans) grow and reproduce and we will be thinking about how we can stay healthy.

In **Geography** our topic is "Tocuaro: A Mexican Village". We will be learning about what life is like for the Horta family, who live in a small village near Mexico City.

Our **PE** days are: Wednesday (Dance) and Thursday (Gymnastics). Please make sure children have the correct PE kit for these days.

'**Show and Tell**' - This year it would be lovely for the children to tell us about things linked to the LEAP certificate and share their successes in class on a Thursday afternoon. If you would like some ideas of the sort of things to celebrate please look on the back of the LEAP certificate. This is available from the school office or on the school website.

The **Building Learning Power** characters will be coming home on a Friday for the weekend! These are to celebrate the good learning that the children have been through the week.

If there are any parents who would like to come into school for an hour or so to help each week, please see us or put a note in the diary. We would really appreciate it!

Please catch us on the playground or make a note in the Home/School diary if you have any further queries or concerns.

Thank you

Mr Poole and the Year 2 team