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Dear Parents/Carers,

In May, our Year **Six** children will be completing **statutory assessments** in **English** and **Maths**. Staff in Year Six work hard to ensure that children are **well-prepared** for these assessments by working on **practice papers** each term but also by looking at **SATs style questions** regularly. We have invested in a series of **apps** including **TTRS**, **Emile** and **Lexia** as well as **SATs style workbooks** to ensure that homework is **well-structured** and **purposeful**. We have also invested in additional staff so that children in Year Six have the benefit of **two teachers** and **two teaching assistants** every morning to ensure that children have the best possible support.

So far this year, the amount of **homework** and **reading books** that are being returned by the **Year Six** class overall is **very disappointing**. I am very **grateful** to the **children** who have managed to return their **homework** and **reading books** every week since the start of the year. This **attitude** is **incredibly important** and these children are working hard to ensure that they are making the progress that they are capable of.

We have **high expectations** of all of our pupils but especially our **oldest children**. The **added expectation** of **homework** in **Year Six** is also to ensure that children are well **prepared** for the **transition to high school**. By Year Six, we expect that children will be able to **proactively** and **independently** complete homework themselves. We have a **homework club** in place to support on the, hopefully rare, occasions that children are unable to complete their homework on time.

It would be **incredibly helpful** if you can **support** us in ensuring children **complete** the **homework** and **access** their **reading books** every week. We are determined to give our children the best possible chance of making the progress they're capable of and your support is vital with this. Can you please help us by encouraging your child to stay on top of their homework every week.

As always, we **appreciate** your **support** enormously.

Many thanks,
Mr Routledge

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