Oak Class Homework – Second Half of Autumn Term 2026

The purpose of homework is to help children practise and extend skills which they need every day in school. In Year 6, we are beginning to develop the skills of organisation, time management and self-motivation, which they will need to transition to secondary school next September. We have found that weekly homework in Year 6 helps them foster these skills preparing them effectively for their next steps.

Year 6 children should complete the following weekly homework:

1. Weekly Arithmetic Homework

Children in Oak Class will be given weekly arithmetic homework which will be based on practising the four operations and developing fluency in solving simple calculations. The homework will be given on Mondays and will need to be completed by the following Monday morning. If they find any of the questions challenging, please ask for help/guidance.

2. Reading

In Year 6, it is still really important that children read 5 or more times a week. We are trying to develop a love of reading so will be helping children choose books which appeal to them and that they are excited to read at home and at school. We will be reading a wide variety of books to children in class every day to expose them to as many different texts as possible. We aim to develop responsible readers who take charge of their reading at home, so reads at home should be recorded in your child's diary either by themselves or an adult and a 'read' should be at least ten pages or more of their book. Even though the children are in Year 6 and can read, it is beneficial for them to read with an adult as much as possible to aid their understanding of the vocabulary and to discuss the text. Our aim is that children in Year 6 complete at least one book per half term. Reading diaries will be checked each week at school and for each 50 pages read, children will receive a ticket to enter our 'Star Reader' draw, which takes place at the end of each half term. One ticket is drawn out of the jar and the winner will receive the prize of a £5 WHSmith voucher, which children can spend on books, games, stationery and much more.

3. Spellings

We will be using Spelling Shed to learn the Year 5/6 spelling rules and relating them to the phonics the children learned earlier in Key Stage 2. Each week your child's spelling words will be on Spelling Shed so they can practise at home by playing games, which is really beneficial for them. Your child's Spelling Shed login is in their reading diary and their spellings for this half term are on the next page.

https://play.edshed.com/login

4. Times Tables

If your child is not yet confident with their times tables up to 12 x 12, then it is vital they practise them at home each week. We use times tables in all of our Maths learning in Year 6, so if children are not fluent, they can find their Maths learning much harder. We use the 'White Rose 1 minute Maths app' in class and this is available for you to download at home too. This link will take you to the page explaining how to download it: https://whiterosemaths.com/resources/1-minute-maths.

Another useful website for practising tables is https://www.timestables.co.uk/, where they can practice their tables in lots of different ways.

Year 6 Spellings

We will be practising these words in class this half term and ask children to have a go at home either on Spelling Shed or by writing them out on paper- whichever they find most helpful.

Y6 W8 for 6th Nov

Spelling Shed
Challenge Words 6.10

apparent
committee
curiosity
guarantee
lightning
parliament
recommend
soldier
vegetable
especially

Y6 W9 for 13th Nov

Spelling Shed
Challenge Words 6.12

according
awkward
conscious
dictionary
familiar
individual
neighbour
profession
sacrifice
system

Y6 W10 for 20th Nov

Spelling Shed
Words ending in 'ably'

changeably
noticeably
dependably
comfortably
reasonably
adorably
valuably
believably
considerably
tolerably

Y6 W11 for 27th Nov

Spelling Shed
Words with the suffix '-ible'

reversible
incredible
possible
horrible
terrible
responsible
legible
forcible
sensible
visible

Y6 W12 for 4th Dec

Spelling Shed
Words with suffixes '-ent' and '-ence'

excellent
excellence
silent
silence
evident
evidence
convenient
convenience
different
difference

Y6 W13 for 11th Dec

Spelling Shed
Challenge Words 6.18

muscle
prejudice
available
determined
rhyme
identity
accommodate
suggest
competition
existence