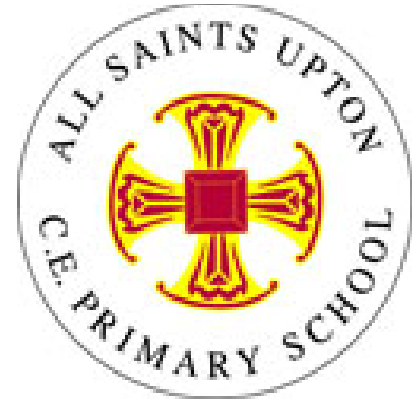


Homework at All Saints Upton



As a result of the feedback from Parent's Evening, we have been evaluating the impact and relevance of our current Homework Policy. In particular we discussed how our current homework practice is impacting on the progress of our children.

As a staff, we have discussed what we feel would have the greatest impact on attainment across the school. After consultation with other schools and researching current trends in national practice, we have decided on the following format for after half term:

- **Nightly reading.** It has been shown that one of the most important factors in developing good reading and good writing is regular, frequent practice. We will require every child to read for an appropriate amount of time every evening (speak to your child's class teacher for further guidance). We will expect their reading records to be signed and dated nightly and returned to school each day.
- **Spellings.** Each child in the school will become a member of a Superhero Spelling Club. Each club will have a bank of levelled spellings to learn before progressing to the next club. (More details to follow). Children will bring home the level of spellings that they are currently working on and overlearning. They will be expected to learn to spell these words and demonstrate that the spellings are secure before moving up. Movement between the clubs will be dependent on the speed with which your child masters their list. Children will receive a certificate from their superhero when they have completed all the levels in their club.
- **Mathematical Basic Skills.** Every three weeks we will be focussing on a new skill across the school. Your child's class teacher will send you guidance as to what they are expected to be able to do within their year group, and suggested activities to work with at home. The skill will be assessed in school at the end of the three week cycle through a variety of activities. Children who have made sufficient progress within the skill will receive a certificate from their teacher and at the end of the year, will be eligible to enter a prize draw for a tablet.

We have given this a great deal of thought because we wish to maximise progress and use both their time and yours in the most efficient and effective way.

As ever, we are most interested in hearing your suggestions as to how we can improve our practice. If you have any further ideas as to how to enhance this policy and motivate the

children further, please feel free to speak to your child's teacher or write your comments below and return to school before February half term.

Thank you for your continued support,

Senior Leadership Team

