

Homework Term 3

This term we are introducing some more formal homework in year 3 / 4. This will include:

- Weekly spellings
- Times Tables Rock Stars
- Three topic-based pieces of work

Weekly spellings:

These spellings are introduced on a Monday and the children have their spelling quiz on a Friday. The spellings focus on improvements in knowledge rather than overall score.

Times Tables Rock Stars:

As year 4 have the Multiplication Test Check in the summer term, we would recommend that children use TTRS every day for about 10 minutes. The games and activities greatly improve your child's confidence and skill with times tables. Tables are very important for many other aspects of maths and science. Each child has their own login and password. They can earn points and 'coins' for doing games. We also have a weekly school-wide award for TTRS. Please encourage your child to access this at home through the free app (available on both tablet and phone).

Topic-based work:

We are giving three pieces of topic-based work to be completed at home, in any order. They can be completed by the end of the term or given in as they are completed. These pieces of work will range across different subjects, such as geography, history and English.

The tasks based on this topic are below:

1. Create a model of the layers of the Earth using a range of materials. Label each layer and write a short description about each layer's features.
2. Make an information poster about Mary Anning, the famous fossil collector. Include images and interesting facts. Share your poster with a family member once it is complete.
3. Imagine that you have just experienced an earthquake. Write a short story about what happened. Use topic vocabulary to describe the strength of the earthquake, such as tremor, epicentre, magnitude and seismic wave.