Year 2 Top Tips!

We hope that you are all staying safe! Please remember that there is no need to print anything out from the work packs, just write your answers on a sheet of paper. Please don’t worry about the amount of work you are completing, just continue to practise the basics (there are a list of literacy and numeracy general reminders at the start of each home learning pack and a few suggestions below) and a little bit here and there from our home learning activities.

**Language**
**Read High Frequency Words**- as we discussed in our parents’ meeting, your child has high frequency words that they need to learn to read.

**Spelling High Frequency Words**- Once your child is confident reading the High Frequency Words they should learn to spell them.

**Reading**- practise reading aloud, with attention to punctuation and showing an understanding of what they have read by explaining relevant detail from the text. Please use the guides at the front/back of the reading book to prompt discussion.

**Spelling**- practise spelling words that use the Phase 3 and 5 sounds (Phase 3 and 5 sounds can be found on the Letters and Sounds website). Encourage your child to use their ‘phoneme fingers’ to identify the number of sounds in the word before spelling. For two/three syllable words encourage your child to clap each syllable and then spell each syllable. Children can practise using a dictionary to check their spellings.

**Phonics**- Use the **Letters and Sounds** website/ app working on Phase 3/4/5- Phoneme Pop, Dragon’s Eggs, Buried Treasure and others. http://www.letters-and-sounds.com/

**Writing**- practise writing interesting sentences that make sense using upper and lower case letters accurately and with consistent size. *Remind your child to re-read their writing to ensure that it makes sense and to improve it. Also remind them to use a capital letter at the start of a sentence and a full stop at the end.*

**Literacy websites**

Here you can find supporting documents and website links to guide you on helping your child at home.

https://home.oxfordowl.co.uk/
http://www.letters-and-sounds.com/
<https://www.phonicsbloom.com/uk/game/list/phonics-games-phase-5>

https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/
https://keystagefun.co.uk/times-tables-apps/squeebles-times-tables/
<https://www.robinhoodmat.co.uk/learning-projects/#parents>
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/levels/z3g4d2p>

**Numeracy**

**Money**- use different combinations of money to pay for items up to £1 and give change. Play shop-adding 2 or 3 prices together to make a total and then give change.

**Time**- reading hours and minutes on a 12 hour digital clock, read half past, quarter past and quarter to on an analogue clock.

**Measures**- use standard units to measure when you are cooking e.g. - capacity (litres), weight/mass (grams or kilograms).

**Mental maths**- Counting in 2’s, 5’s and 10’s. Ordering and comparing numbers up to 100/1000. Learn all pairs of numbers (number bonds) up to 20. Odd and even numbers up to 100/1000. Doubles and halves. Finding the difference between two numbers.

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https://home.oxfordowl.co.uk/maths/

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/Search.aspx?AgeGroup=2>

https://www.themathsfactor.com/
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/levels/z3g4d2p>
https://keystagefun.co.uk/times-tables-apps/squeebles-times-tables/

The Welsh assembly government sets National tests for Year 2 in May.  If you would like see these tests there are sample materials available online.  Type ‘National tests Wales’ into the Google search engine and click on the first link.  Scroll down to **Resources** and click on **Numeracy Sample materials** where there will be a **Procedural** and **Reasoning**example.  There are also **Reading** sample materials available.

[https://hwb.gov.wales/curriculum-for-wales/reading-and-numeracy-assessments/national-reading-and-numeracy-tests](https://hwb.gov.wales/curriculum-for-wales/reading-and-numeracy-assessments/national-reading-and-numeracy-tests%22%20%5Ct%20%22_blank)

Happy learning!

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