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Dear Parents,

We are so pleased with the way the children are tackling their homework this year.

Some parents have been unsure whether or not they should help their child complete the grammar and arithmetic tasks. Where possible, please let them have a first try independently. If you then feel confident to support your child, please could you indicate any adult supported work (maybe put a \* next to those questions that have had adult input). This will give us a really clear picture of which children need further support in this area in school.

Homework club runs on a Thursday for any children who would like help from adults in school (or those who may wish to get it out of the way before the weekend!).

Rewards and sanctions will be given out for homework in line with our new behaviour system. Children can receive bronze, silver or gold medals for their work and effort. Where homework is repeatedly not handed in, children will be given a grey card (we give out grey, yellow or red cards as sanctions in class depending on the seriousness of the situation and the number of warnings they have received.) All medals and behaviour cards can be seen alongside your child's progress on our online SPTO system. Passwords for this were given out at parents evening last year but if you are unsure how to access this system please contact the school office.

Please could we remind parents that children are also expected to read at least three times a week and will receive a bronze medal when they do. Anyone who reads five times a week will receive a silver medal.

Learning weekly spellings are the final part of your child's homework and are an area that parents can really help with. Particularly in Year 5 and 6, as some of the spelling rules we are required to cover are very complex.

Many thanks for your support and cooperation,

The Year 5/6 teaching team

