



Dear Parents/Carers,

Well done to the children for a super first week in Year 2! They have settled in really well and we are looking forward to this first half term together.

Here is some information about homework in Year 2.

In class, there will be a **weekly spelling test** on a Friday. Included in this pack is a list of the words to be tested next Friday (15th September).

In year 2, we have access to online **Spelling Shed** games where your child can practise their weekly spellings with a variety of fun activities.

Please follow this link for a video parent guide <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uVHb4srs0RU&t=16s>

To play, go to <https://play.edshed.com/en-gb/>

This game is FREE for you to use with the attached username and password.

Along with spellings, we ask that you support your child each week with the **Key Instant Recall Facts (KIRFs)** that they need to know in maths. We will begin by revising our number bonds to 10. Included in this pack are some suggested activities to work on.

Weekly spellings and maths KIRFs will be our main homework each week. It is important that your child keeps up with these as they are key skills that will help them in all areas. Children may also be set tasks in other areas of the curriculum which relate directly to classroom work.

It is also really important that you **listen to your child read** regularly. One of our main reading targets in Year 2 is to increase fluency – your child should be reading at a speed of 90 words per minute with a book suited to their ability. Reading regularly and reading the same book multiple times will increase their reading speed.

We also ask that you regularly **read books to your child** as this has a wealth of benefits for your child's wellbeing and academic success. You can read books that they enjoy at their reading level but also read books that are at a level beyond that at which they can read independently.

We hope that your children have had a great week in Year 2 and we look forward to the year ahead together!

Please do get in touch, if you have any concerns or questions - year2.hfp@schools.sefton.gov.uk

Kindest regards,

Mrs Appleton and Miss Crouch.