

## KS1 Autumn 1 Homework – Local Area

### Reading

Each week, you will take two reading books home.

#### 1. My Book Bag Book

This book is chosen by your teacher and matches the sounds you learning in class. Try to read it lots of times to help you get really good at those sounds!



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#### 2. My Reading for Pleasure Book

You can choose a book from our class book trolley. This is a lovely book to enjoy with your grown-up. You can talk about the story, the characters, and what might happen next!

Remember: You can swap your trolley book once you bring it back to school.

#### Reading at Home

Please try to read every day with your grown-up and remember to log your daily reading in your reading planner. It helps you become a super reader!

### Maths:

#### KIRFS (Key Instant Recall Facts)

KIRFs (Key Instant Recall Facts) are key number facts that children are expected to learn and recall instantly, without needing to work them out. These facts are an important part of your child's mathematical development and help to build confidence and fluency in mental maths.

Each half term, we will focus on a specific KIRF, such as number bonds, times tables, or doubling and halving. For the Spring 2 half term, your child will be learning the following:

- **Year 1: KIRF:** Know all the number bonds to 10
- **Year 2: KIRF:** Know all additions and subtraction facts for all numbers between 0 and 10

A **parent support sheet** is on the KS1 homework page on the school website. This will help you practise these facts with your child through fun and short activities. Practising little and often at home can make a big difference to your child's confidence and recall.

### Topic

This half term, we are learning all about 'Our Local Area.' Below are 9 fun and creative homework tasks you can choose from. You don't need to do them all – just pick the ones you like best!

#### Draw a Map

Draw a simple map of the area around your home. Can you include your house, a shop, park, school or other important places? Add labels to your map.

#### Go on a Local Walk

Take a walk around your local area. What can you see? Draw or write down 5 things you spot.

#### My Favourite Place

Draw a picture of your favourite place in your local area. Write 2–3 sentences explaining why you like it.

#### Nature Hunt

Go outside and see how many different things from nature you can find. Look for things such as leaves, flowers, trees, birds or insects. Draw 5 things you find.

#### Local Area Photographer

With an adult, take a photograph of an interesting place or building in your local area. Bring it in or draw the place instead. Can you explain what makes it special?

#### Road Safety Detective

Look carefully at the roads near your home. Can you spot 3 road signs? Draw them and explain what they mean.

#### Ask Someone About the Area

Ask an adult who has lived in your area for a long time:  
"What was this area like when you were younger?"  
Draw or write one interesting thing you learned.

#### Create a colourful picture or collage of your local area.

You could include:

- Your home
- A park or trees
- Local shops
- Buses or cars
- Your school
- Animals or nature

#### Spot the Shops!

How many different shops or businesses can you find near your home? Draw them or make a list. What does each one sell or do?

On the last week of this half term, bring in your most favourite piece of topic homework into school to share with your class. We can't wait to see what you create!