Dear Parent

I hope you will find the homework policy for Dolphins useful. Please remember to make the homework fun and that working your child at home helps them learn and increases their chance of reaching their full potential. Please send in Homework books each Friday for spellings to be recorded.

**Spellings**

Each week children have a spelling list to learn. The spellings are sent home as a hard copy to parents. These are tested each Friday, as far as possible, and written in children’s homework book. When your child has learnt all the spellings on their card they will be given a new set of spellings.

**Maths**

Children are expected to work on maths three times a week for at least 10 minutes. Suggestions are given half termly as Key Skills in the Homework book. There are also targets given at Parent Consultation meetings. When your child has achieved a target please let a member of staff know.

**Reading**

Children are expected to read four times per week. Books can be changed by the children or parent. Before a child progresses to the next stage in the reading scheme they will be assessed by the teacher. Reading Record books are used to record reading at home each week and provide feedback from parents.

**Written homework**

In Dolphins class Flipper is sent home with his diary each day. The children are asked to write a short account of what he/they did during their stay. This is in rotation to ensure each child has a turn. Please remember to send him back!

**Diaries**

Children are asked to keep a diary during the holidays. They do not need to write each day, it is up to the individual ability of your child. It can be pictures, photos, captions, leaflets, maps etc. Please return the diaries during the first week back after the holidays.

**Topic**

Each half term the children will be asked to work with their parents at home on an activity linked to the class topic. This will then be brought into school to display during the last week of the half term. Also please take a photo of the finished product and stick it in the homework book.

**In Summary**

Reading: Four times per week

Spellings: List sent home on a card, tested Friday

Maths: Three times per week and parents inform staff when achieved

Written homework: Flipper Diary will be sent home.

Diaries: Each holiday children will be asked to keep a simple diary.

Topic: Each half term there will be an activity set to link with the class topic.