



Spelling

Children will be given a spelling list of 10 words each week on Wednesday, which they will be required to practise at home in preparation for a spelling test on the following Wednesday before receiving their new list. Children will write the new words in to their contact books. We will also post the list on Class Dojo.

Reading

Accelerated Reader (AR) is a computer program that helps teachers to manage and monitor children's independent reading practice. It has been a very successful programme that we have been using at St Stephen's for a while now. It encourages a love of reading, allows children to access a variety of texts and ensures the children understand what they are reading with a small follow up quiz. In Year 3, the children are required to read for at least 10 minutes each day. Your child will be allocated an appropriate reading book, which they will bring home each day. Remember, you can now quiz from home! Please ask your class teacher for the username and password if you would like to quiz at home.

Times Tables

We teach times tables in class using Times Tables Rockstars work sheets. The recall sheets all follow our "baseline > practice > check" model :

- They start with a **baseline**.
- The next few sheets are for pupils to **practise**.
- Then they'll do a **check** sheet.

If your child has mastered their multiplication facts, there are extra levels of challenge to deepen their learning and promote maths mastery. Each term, we complete a times tables check that tests all tables up to 12. If you would like to know the results of the times tables check in more detail, please ask your class teacher. Please continue to practise and learn times tables using whichever method suits you most. We encourage children to use Times Tables Rockstars. If you have not received a log in, please ask your class teacher.

Reminders

Equipment: children should have equipment to support their learning. This includes: pencil, pencil sharpener, ruler and glue stick. Please name items.

Water bottles: Please make sure your child comes to school each day with a water bottle.

Uniform: Please name items of clothing. The correct school uniform should be worn every day. Hoodies and jumpers with slogans are not part of our school uniform. Please go to the Office if you need anything.

Days to remember:

Tuesday: PE kit.

Friday: PE kit

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday: Free Fruit