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Dear Parents/Carers,

We are just writing to let you know about the routines for rapid recall and spellings in KS1. We would like to remind you that your child is welcome to bring in any reading material of their choice every Friday for their 'Free Choice Friday' session.

Rapid Recall

Every Friday we will have a RAPID RECALL tests for key number facts. This is to help develop children's mental maths skills.

In Year Two the children will start at step 2, beginning to count in 10's and will gradually progress through the steps which will cover the key facts in maths. In Year One the children will start at step 1 and begin to count in 1's and will gradually progress through the steps which will cover the key facts in maths.

In order to move onto the next step the children will need to complete the test in 5 minutes and be scoring full marks. In order for you to help your child with this every Friday we will send home their current step for them to practise with you.

Time Tables

By the end of KS1 the children are expected to know their 2,5, 10 and 3 times tables and begin to know their 4 times tables. We will be learning these times tables in a fun way through singing songs, using visual aids and actions. The children will begin counting in 2's, 5's, 10's, 3's and 4's and alongside this they will chant and sing songs to practise the times tables. It will greatly benefit your child if you could support your child by learning times tables at home.

Spelling

In Year 1 and Year 2 there are lots of spelling patterns and rules which they must be taught. Alongside these rules, KS1 have some common exception words to learn, our children are expected to be able to spell most of these types of words by the end of year 2. The children will be continuing with phonic sessions where they are learning about the different phonemes and graphemes to support them with their reading and alongside this they will be taught the different spelling patterns and strategies to help with their spellings. Each

week through our planning for English we will focus on a particular set of words that they will be expected to spell correctly in their writing.

In order for you to support with spellings every Friday your child will take home a list of spellings to practise and they will be tested on a Thursday.

Please mark off on the homework challenge record sheet when you practise Rapid Recall and Spellings with your child.

If you have any further questions please do not hesitate to come in and ask your child's teacher. Thank you for your continued support.

KS1 Team