

Information regarding home learning will be published on the class pages of the school website each week, from today. The details are changed weekly on a Thursday or Friday.

Please check your child's own class page – The home learning tasks will be shared with children on Fridays and there is an expectation that they will be completed by the following Friday.

All pupils from Key Stage 1 onwards will bring home a pencil that should be kept at home, to be used for their home learning.

All pupils will continue to have a Reading Record Book. This is an opportunity for families to record notes when they have heard reading on a regular basis. Pupils from year 2 upwards take home their **school practice reading book**, which needs to be read aloud to an adult to practice and repeat. Pupils in Early Years and Year 1 have online books reflecting the direct teaching and learning taking place in their phonics lessons. Children will also bring home a **sharing book** they choose from their class collection and change these within the system their own class staff have organised.

It is essential that all children read regularly. The amount children read to you at any session will vary considerably according to the child and the book! For younger readers, it may be appropriate to read the whole of a simple 'starter reader'. For older children, just a few pages, correctly read from a full text, will be plenty. Others may wish to get to the end of a section, chapter or story within a larger volume. After reading with an adult, please record the pages heard along with the date in the Reading Record. Regular practice (little and often) is far more beneficial to learning than a 'catch-up' once a week! Sometimes a younger child may have the same book for several days. Re-visiting and practice is all an important part of developing reading skills.

An indication of expectations regarding Home Learning is attached.

We aim to make the home learning useful and build on what has been learnt in school to help the children grow in confidence and independence. Please do support your child as much as possible with this area of school, as was agreed in the school-home contract which you signed when your child first joined Roselands. Please contact me or your child's teacher if there is anything further you wish to discuss.

Thank you. Jane Carson

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