

Homework will be given out on a Thursday and handed in on a Monday please.

Dear parents/carers,

Because reading is fundamental to all aspects of learning, we have decided to focus on **reading comprehension**.

In Year 2 and Year 6, as part of the SATS tests, the children have to carry out a reading comprehension task. This assessment will test the children's ability to **understand** what they have read.

In KS2 there are 7 different types of questions that will be on the test paper. In order to support and prepare the children for this test I have decided to send home a fortnightly reading comprehension for homework.

Each different question type has its own canine helper to remind the children of what they need to do to answer a question appropriately:

Vocabulary Questions

Vocabulary Victor is there to help you work out the meaning of unknown words and phrases using context clues.

2a: Give / explain the meaning of words in context.



Retrieval Questions

Rex Retriever is there to help you to go into a text and just simply retrieve the facts and key details.

2b: Retrieve and record information / identify key details from fiction and non-fiction.



Summary Questions

Summarising Sheba is there to remind you to summarise the main point(s) or main event(s) of a paragraph or text.

2c: Summarise main ideas from more than one paragraph.



Inference Questions

Inference Iggy will help you hunt for clues in a text about how someone might be feeling or why something is happening.

2d: Make inferences from the text / explain and justify inferences with evidence from the text.



Prediction Questions

Predicting Pip tries to see the future and she will help you to work out what might happen next from clues in the text.

2e: Predict what might happen from details stated and implied.



Compare, Contrast & Comment Questions

Cassie the Commentator discusses the content of a paragraph/text and compares events and characters. Can you do the same?



2f: Identify/explain how information/narrative content is related and contributes to meaning as a whole.

2h: Make comparisons within the text.

Author Choice Questions

Arlo the Author likes to help you to spot examples of ambitious vocabulary and figurative language, and explain how these words/phrases add to the meaning of the text.



2g: Identify/explain how meaning is enhanced through choice of words and phrases.