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Homework 'The SKA Way'

Dear families,

Please give this letter a read to find out about the homework we will be sending out this week. This package of home learning has been designed to help develop children's fluency in key areas of learning, such as reading and times tables practise, while providing a number of options for those children who would like to do more.

Weekly Fluency Practice (Compulsory)

All children will be asked to complete the following tasks at home to improve reading fluency, times tables fluency and spelling. This will be tracked and discussed at parents' evenings and on school reports. Children **must**:

- Aim to read at home at least three times per week and record this in the reading record. We strongly recommend that they read to an adult at home.
- Practise up to ten spellings ready for a weekly spelling test in class.
- Complete challenges and practice times-tables on Times Table Rockstars.

Half-termly Project (Optional)

Your child will come home with a piece of project-based learning linked to their topic for the half-term. This homework will be celebrated by being showcased in class, displayed around school and will be posted on our social media pages. Your child will also receive Dojos for their hard work. This is an optional piece of homework – completion will not be tracked and any discussions at parents' evening or comments on school reports will be positive.

The SKA 50 Things to Do Before You're 11 3/4 (Optional)

Your child will also come home with their 'SKA 50 Things' book. This has been designed to encourage your children to explore the wider world outside of South Kirkby. There are 50 activities ranging in difficulty from visiting their class name destination – Nostell being one of eight locations – to flying a kite, building a den or rolling down a big hill. Lots of these activities can also be accessed through our SKA curriculum and after-school club offer too.

Children and their families must show evidence of them completing the activity in their 'SKA 50 Things' book. This could be a photograph of the activity stuck in, and a sentence or two about what they enjoyed about it.

There will be a reward assembly for children who complete all 50 activities, where your child will receive a prize, certificate and 'SKA 50 Things to Do Before You're 11 3/4' badge.

Homework Club – Thursdays after school

We have a weekly homework club at school open to all children where they are able to complete homework and receive help from a teacher. School will also provide materials for any project-based homework at this club.

If you have any questions at all, please speak to your child's class teacher.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Mr Adam Potter
Head of School