Kestrel Class Homework Autumn - 2023-24

All children are expected to complete the following each week:

- **1. Reading** Children are expected to read 5 x per week with an adult. Parents and carers are required to evidence 5 reads in Reading Record.
- 2. **Spelling** -Children will have a selection of words to learn each week at home, which they will be expected to apply in their writing. We do encourage that you test or practice these spellings at home as this will further consolidate your children's knowledge of the English language.
- **3. Times tables** Children are expected to learn their times tables up to 12 x 12. Knowledge of times tables form a vital foundation for many mathematical topics covered in the year. All children have access to Times Tables Rockstars to allow them to practise at home.

Homework projects: Activities and projects will be set termly. Homework projects consolidate learning taking place in school. Studies have shown that home learning can be extremely important in a child's cognitive development. It has been proven that your engagement at home with your child's home learning accelerates their progress.

Please choose 1 homework project to complete this term (as well as your weekly spelling/ times table practice).

We are inviting parents into school on **Thursday 23rd November** to look at homework projects. This will be an opportunity for pupils to show their learning, books and for home learning to be celebrated. Thank you for your ongoing support with your child's home learning. Mrs Volz



Project 1 - ART/ SCULPTURE

In Art we are looking at the artist, painter and sculptor, Alberto GIACOMETTI, whose work was influenced by Cubism and Surrealism. This project is for you to research the artist further and then to choose either a self-portrait drawing or painting in Giacometti's style. Have fun and get creative!

Project 2 - VIVA ESPAGNA Barcelona!



In Geography we will be investigating mountains, looking at their formation and how they have been used through history. The project for this term will be about Dartmoor. You could present photos of a walk across Dartmoor or investigate the history of Dartmoor and how it was used 200 years ago. You may also wish to do a study of a particular area of Dartmoor such as Meldon or research the wildlife that lives on or around Dartmoor.

Project 3 - The world in your hands



This project is going to tap into your creative side. Use the questions to create your own piece of creative writing showcasing.

-Whose hands do we see in the picture? Why do you think this?

-If you held the world in your hands like this all day, what would you need to do to make sure it stayed safe?-Do you think there are beings out there in the universe who could hold planet Earth in their hands?

