#### Kestrel Class Homework Spring - 2024

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 **Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March from 2.30pm** 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 - Geography - Biomes**

As geographers, we will be able exploring different biomes and their ecosystems, explore how they are being damaged and how we can protect them. Choose a biome and recreate it in a shoe box. Explain the biome, where it may be found and why you chose it. You can use any materials and resources to bring your creation to life.

## Project 2 - Art

As artists this term, we will appraise and analyse art through the eyes of the artist Banksy and his artwork. Research who Banksy is and look at his images. Choose one to focus on and explain why you chose it; what was his message? Create an image in the style of Banksy. What does this mean to you, what is your message? You may want to link it to the environment and protecting the environment or the damage pollution and climate change are doing to our futures.

### **Project 3 - Thankfulness**

At the end of the day, I am thankful that my blessings are bigger than my problems. Our termly value is Thankfulness. Research poems and quotes about thankfulness and explore what people may be thankful for. Are they thankful for the same things as you? Why might that be? Read or write a poem or quote of your own of what you are thankful for. Recite the poem or quote to the class. Be creative in how you present it. You may want to present it as a poster, canvas, bookmark, photograph collage etc.

