**Homework Autumn 1st Half Term**

After with previous years we have chosen to keep with the format used for homework and hope that it offers you opportunities to support core academic learning but also to be creative and have fun with learning. The tasks set are optional but it would be good to try at least one PSHE and Topic homework whilst **reading remains the single most important thing you can do at home** to support your child in school. The school now subscribes to Seesaw and sometimes teachers may suggest that you post your efforts for topic and Personal Moral Spiritual tasks on your journal otherwise bring them into school. The school continues to use the internet based maths resource, Mathletics, and has now also subscribes to Times Table Rockstars. You should have logins for both resources (obtainable from Mrs B or your class teacher). Occasionally teachers may choose to set tasks on Mathletics but if they do not you can practise maths of your choice and Times Table Rockstars is excellent for learning those all-important facts. Mathletics certificates and times table bands will be awarded in Friday Celebration assemblies. Teachers will also monitor children’s reading records and two children from each class will be selected at the end of term for a trip to Waterstones in Truro to choose a book that the school will pay for. We hope you have fun supporting learning at home and did I mention that **reading is very important**.

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| **Reading**. **Remember reading is probably the most important homework you can do**. Try and read every night even if it is just for 10 minutes. Sometimes it is also nice to have stories read to you. It is not the number of books you read that matters as some of you will be reading much longer books than others. The important things are that you understand what you are reading and enjoy what you are reading. If this is not the case speak to your teacher because they will do all they can to help you read together at home. You all have a reading record to track your reading so you don’t need to write anything here and teachers will now be choosing 2 children from each class every **half term** for the treat to head to Waterstones in Truro to choose a book the school will pay for. | | | | |
| **Personal Moral Spiritual**  [http://www.halogensoftware.com/uploads/learn/how-to/improving-employee-accountability-for-goals-in-your-organization/_thumb/800/800xNximproving-employee-accountability-for-goals-in-your-organization.png.pagespeed.ic.DrVq5weuBK.jpg](http://www.google.co.uk/url?sa=i&rct=j&q=goals&source=images&cd=&cad=rja&uact=8&ved=0CAcQjRw&url=http://www.halogensoftware.com/learn/how-to/improving-employee-accountability-for-goals-in-your-organization&ei=hvzuVJ1ekv1o3c6AuAU&psig=AFQjCNFnz4NthOE89meGzNOt2pYR5J64OA&ust=1425034738260889)  **Going for Goals** | **ish**  Instead of the story, The Dot we started our assemblies with the follow up story written by Peter Reynolds called ‘Ish’. The character in the book called Ramon draws lots of pictures after giving up painting because his sister likes them. Create your own collection of ‘ish’ pictures like I did for assembly. | England squad named for FIFA Women's World Cup**Unlikely Heroes**  In assembly we spoke about how people have achieved goals and looked at theLionesses. They are one of the best teams in the world but lots of people didn’t think they would get far in this world cup due to injuries in the team and yet they made it to the final. Find a team or individual that has achieved goals against all odds and get a picture of them to show your class and tell their story. If you really want to you could make a powerpoint or write a report. | **Something New!**  Trying new things opens up new possibilities and with them come new challenges and goals. I had a go at Via Ferrata this summer which is like climbing I have done before but with cables and ladders. Get a picture or video of you trying something new and tell your class a little about your experience. | DREAMCATCHER BLUE DREAM CATCHER (CWRE-SH) : Amazon.co.uk: Home & Kitchen**Goal or Dream?**  What is the difference? In school we think of goals as something we can achieve in a short time but you should not stop dreaming. Maybe you want to play for England? Help lead and change the country? Be a famous musician? Go to the moon? Draw a picture of yourself in your dream future or make a dreamcatcher to hold your dream close to you there are lots of videos online to show you how like this one: [DIY | How To Make A Dreamcatcher - YouTube](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=j4qh8BkT3JE) |
| **Our Topic**  **War – what is it good for?** | Make a trip to see a castle, defence building or historical place where strategies for war have been planned in Cornwall. RAF Culdrose, Restormel Castle, Trebah gardens beach are all examples of some of the local places related to defence and attack. St Mawes and Pendennis castles are a pair of defence buildings that link and a pillbox is visible from Godrevy car park. Make a presentation or talk about your visit. | Research an innovation that changed the outcome of a war. It could be modern or ancient. Think about battering rams, tanks and aircraft.  Which one is the best invention?  Which ones are not a good idea?  Can you say why? | Research the pacifist movements. You could look up famous pacifists such as Mahatma Ghandi.  Why are they pacifists? Do you think they are right? | Research a war that is happening in the world at the moment. See if you can find out what the war is about, who is fighting and if you think it could come to an end.  <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RS3l-pCSkwA>  Newsround is a useful website to explore. |
| **Mathletics** | The school has decided to continue to subscribe to mathletics and we also now have Times Table Rockstars.  Certificates awarded on Mathletics or Rockstars this term and Karate Bands achieved: | | | |
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