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Dear Parents and Carers

RE: Summer 2 Homework

Following a thorough review of our curriculum, along with research of how other schools organise homework, we have decided to trial a new approach to homework for the remainder of the summer term. We would be very grateful for your feedback as we go through the term, to help us make an informed decision moving forwards.

Mathletics and **Reading Eggs** are set online as normal, please complete the activities that have been set for you. Please also encourage your child to complete voluntary and additional tasks, as these earn additional points for gaining certificates (remembering that Certificates also earn House Points!) There will continue to be spelling practice each week; we are researching possible online options for spelling and phonics practice.

We would like our pupils to enjoy a broader range of voluntary and creative homework tasks, based around a whole-school theme. This term we are looking at **'Our School Heroes'**. Our school heroes are our house leaders: **Maximillian Kolbe**, **Nelson Mandela**, **Mary Seacole** and of course **Bishop John A. T. Robinson**, so projects should focus on these four.

As the whole school has the same project, we would like to see projects that are creative, interesting and original. There are no specific rules, other than it should show off your research, understanding and creativity. You can base your projects on any area of the national curriculum:

- Artwork and Drawing – pencil, pen, chalk, charcoal, paint, crayon
- Crafting and Modelling – sculpture, junk modelling, clay, batik, sewing, origami, baking
- Historical Timelines – family trees, biographies, fact files, timelines
- Poems and Stories – poem, word art, narrative story, diary
- Maps and Diagrams – maps, directions, treasure hunts, expanded diagrams, labelled photographs
- Words and Songs – raps, songs, lyrics, compositions
- Technology and Media – software projects (including PowerPoint, Word, Scratch, Kodu, etc), newspaper articles, interviews
- Science and Nature – discoveries, inventions, theories, experiments
- The Great Outdoors – photographs, obstacle challenges, landmarks, landscapes
- Theology and Thinking – beliefs, ideas, thoughts, religious and world views

Families may want to work together to produce collective pieces or produce similar pieces. You can complete more than one project, choosing a different style or curriculum area, but every project must be completed to a good standard. The best projects will be awarded house points and may be displayed within school and on our website.

Completed projects can be either uploaded to Google Classroom or handed in (with your child's name clearly shown) to your child's class teacher when completed, with the final submission date being the penultimate Tuesday of the half term; 18th July.

If you have any questions about our new venture, please speak to your child's class teacher or contact the school office to arrange a meeting with one of the senior leaders.

Yours faithfully,

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