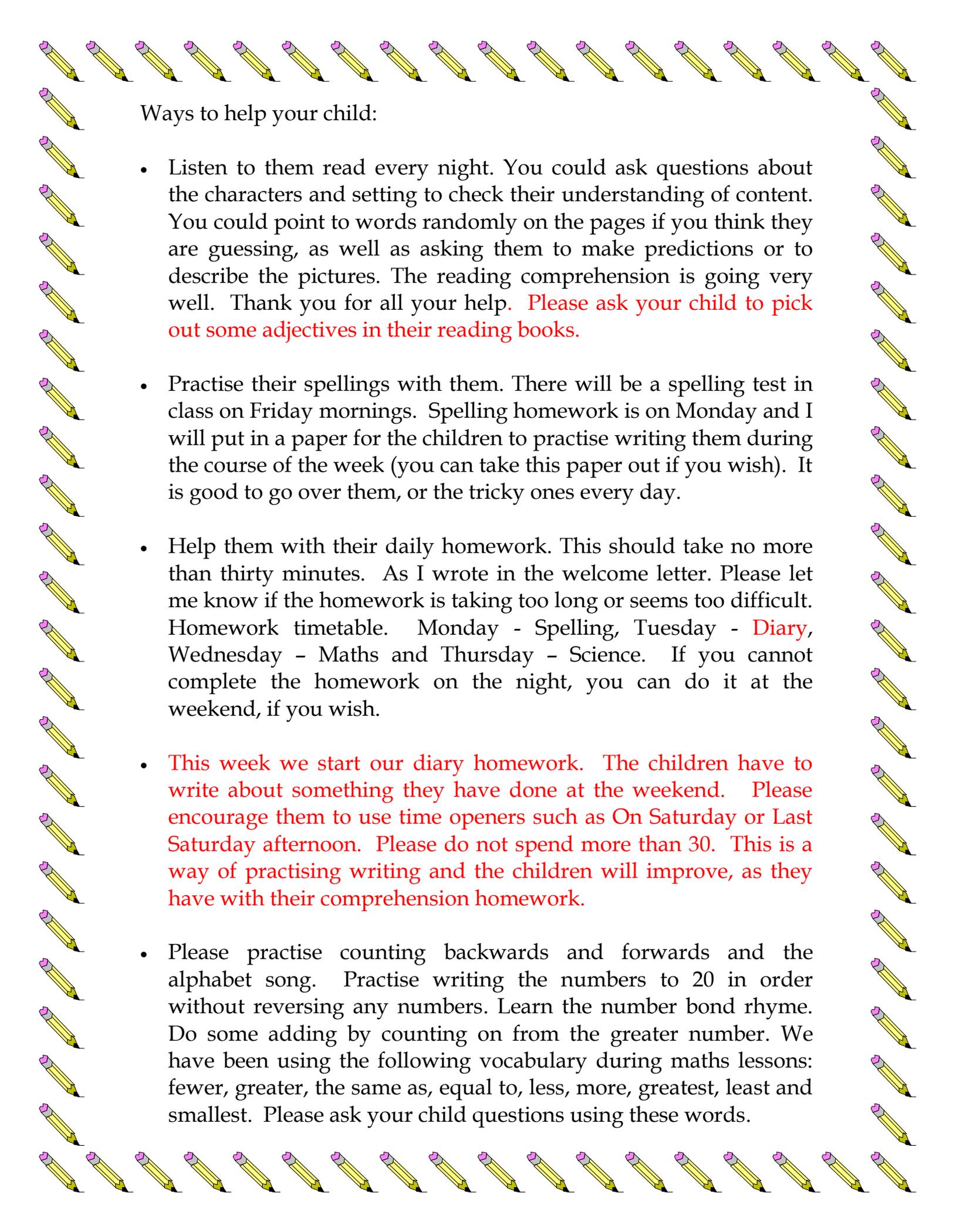


Year One Weekly Overview

- In literacy this week we will be looking at Fairy Stories. We will be working on the story Mary and the Twelve Months. We will be putting ourselves in the place of one of the characters. We will, also be looking at story settings We will work on spellings, decoding, segmenting and blending sounds to read and make words using the Letters and Sounds scheme. We have our spelling test on Friday.
- In maths we will be comparing numbers and arranging them in ascending and descending order. We will be finding number patterns.
- In science we will be learning about weather symbols and how we predict the weather.
- In topic this week we will be looking at the different continents and comparing them.
- In R.E we will be looking at families and celebrations and thinking about Jesus growing up.
- In music we will be learning a new song and copying and inventing rhythms.
- In computing we will be making powerpoint presentations.
- In drama we will be acting out scenes from Jesus' early life.
- Our art topic is 'African Art'.



Ways to help your child:

- Listen to them read every night. You could ask questions about the characters and setting to check their understanding of content. You could point to words randomly on the pages if you think they are guessing, as well as asking them to make predictions or to describe the pictures. The reading comprehension is going very well. Thank you for all your help. **Please ask your child to pick out some adjectives in their reading books.**
- Practise their spellings with them. There will be a spelling test in class on Friday mornings. Spelling homework is on Monday and I will put in a paper for the children to practise writing them during the course of the week (you can take this paper out if you wish). It is good to go over them, or the tricky ones every day.
- Help them with their daily homework. This should take no more than thirty minutes. As I wrote in the welcome letter. Please let me know if the homework is taking too long or seems too difficult. Homework timetable. Monday - Spelling, Tuesday - **Diary**, Wednesday - Maths and Thursday - Science. If you cannot complete the homework on the night, you can do it at the weekend, if you wish.
- **This week we start our diary homework. The children have to write about something they have done at the weekend. Please encourage them to use time openers such as On Saturday or Last Saturday afternoon. Please do not spend more than 30. This is a way of practising writing and the children will improve, as they have with their comprehension homework.**
- Please practise counting backwards and forwards and the alphabet song. Practise writing the numbers to 20 in order without reversing any numbers. Learn the number bond rhyme. Do some adding by counting on from the greater number. We have been using the following vocabulary during maths lessons: fewer, greater, the same as, equal to, less, more, greatest, least and smallest. Please ask your child questions using these words.

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- I have set Mathematics tasks for every child. There are also various tasks on Activelearn. The tasks include maths games, science activities and also the opportunity to type in or correct sentences to do with the books we are working on in English.

If you wish to contact me about anything, my e-mail address is susan.turner@oliverhouse.org.uk.

Kind regards,

Miss Turner.