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Dear Pheasant Parents,

Just a quick reminder that, as of next week, we will be launching our split Y5/6 sessions in preparation for the forthcoming National Curriculum test week (Monday 9th - 12th May).

During these morning sessions, which will run Monday to Thursday for 4 weeks in the run-in to the Y6 National Curriculum testing week, I will be working with the Year 6 children to help them prepare for the tests, while Year 5 will be taught maths and English with Miss Rickard (who the majority of children know through their maths group work) and Mrs Goman.

Afternoons will be whole class Learning Journey work together, and Friday will also continue in the current format with all children working with Mr Rogers.

Homework in Y5

For the coming weeks, homework will be TT Rockstars based as a number of children in Y5 still require time building their Times Tables skills. Children should access TT Rockstars for at least 5-10 minutes, 3 or 4 times a week, and a reward of Golden Time will be available on a Thursday afternoon for those who commit to their regular practice. The majority of time should be spent in "Garage Mode" for those children still working on retention, and on "Studio" for those children with a strong understanding of most Times Tables but who are looking to develop their speed.

Miss Rickard may also set other short homework tasks linked to their learning over the split period.

Homework in Y6

As part of the revision sessions, I will be asking children to complete homework on a more regular basis. By completing test questions and papers at home a few nights a week, it will free up time for us to go through and consider the best approaches to a range of questions and concepts in the mornings.

It is very important, therefore, that this homework is completed at home by all children and brought into school ready for the next day's learning. Please can you encourage your children to complete these tasks so as to ensure they are as well-equipped as possible for the test week in May.

A homework pack for the children to complete over the Easter holidays will also be

















provided before the end of term.

As always, if you have any questions regarding this or any other part of your child's learning in school, please do pop in for a chat.

Kindest regards,

Dan Taylor

















