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*Aim High*

*Never Give Up*

*Follow Your Dream*

*Lead By Example*

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Dear Parents/Carers,

This year we are working hard to improve children's vocabulary across school. Research shows that pupils with a wider vocabulary will do better socially and emotionally, with reading comprehension and maths. In fact, all of their learning will improve as their vocabulary develops.

We have invested in an innovative literacy improvement tool called *Bedrock Vocabulary*. It is a website that helps children to learn very important academic vocabulary.

<https://app.bedrocklearning.org/>

Children in Years 3-6 will complete two lessons of Bedrock per week in class. There is an opportunity for children to complete more sessions by logging in at home. Research shows that learning in regular short sessions is better than cramming lots of learning into one long session. Each lesson should take no more than 20 minutes.

As your child progresses through the lessons, they will study hundreds of words, whilst reading fiction and non-fiction texts. These sessions can be included as part of your child's five reading sessions so please write this in your child's reading diary on completion.

Your child will bring home their log in details today so that they get started straight away. At school, we can check their progress and support children to catch up on any words that they have misunderstood.

As parents/carers, you can create your own account to see how your child is getting on. You will be able to see the vocabulary your child is learning, which we encourage you to use in conversation at home. As each post-test is completed, data will appear in the dashboard.

You can head over to the site and create your own account now.

- Step 1: Visit <https://app.bedrocklearning.org/>
- Step 2: Make sure the Parent/Teacher tab has been selected.
- Step 3: Click 'Parent sign up'
- Step 2: Enter the codes provided to you by the school and create an account.
- Step 3: Check your email for your password, and then log in. Be sure to check your junk folder if no email arrives.

We hope that your child enjoys using *Bedrock* and most of all, that it improves their learning. If you have any further questions, please see your child's class teacher, or alternatively, Mrs Cockerill.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs J.Cockerill  
Deputy Headteacher/ English Leader

Mrs D. Reynolds  
Headteacher

