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Monday 28th September 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

We are always 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.

In Key Stage 2 the children continue to access an online vocabulary development programme 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 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's username and password has not changed but if you would like a reminder, please request this from your child's class teacher.

Parent/Carer Accounts

As parents/carers, you can create your own account to see how your child is getting on. **Access codes will be issued this week from school.** Once you have created your account, you will be able 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. A child must achieve at least 60% in the post test in order to have completed it.

Please see the attached document for details as to how to set up your own account and how to view your child's progress.

Please follow the link below to find out more about the benefits of setting up a Parent/Carer account. <u>https://bedrocklearning.org/parents-of-bedrock-school-</u> <u>users/?utm_source=Bedrock+Learning+Master+Audience&utm_campaign=ac7ba6e12a-</u> <u>EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2020_03_18_12_18_COPY_01&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_87ea1fc50b-ac7ba6e12a-</u> 597200245

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 in the first instance.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs J.Cockerill Deputy Headteacher/ English Leader Mrs D. Reynolds Headteacher









