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*Aim High*

*Never Give Up*

*Follow Your Dream*

*Lead By Example*

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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.

**Children in Year 3 will have received their usernames and passwords this week.** The programme is new to Year 3 children but they have had a chance to explore it this week in school and will continue from now on to complete a minimum of two sessions per week in school hours.

#### **Parent/Carer Accounts**

As parents/carers, you can create your own account to see how your child is getting on. **You will need to use the Parent Access code.** Once you have created your account, 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. 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.

[https://bedrocklearning.org/parents-of-bedrock-school-users/?utm\\_source=Bedrock+Learning+Master+Audience&utm\\_campaign=ac7ba6e12a-EMAIL\\_CAMPAIGN\\_2020\\_03\\_18\\_12\\_18\\_COPY\\_01&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_term=0\\_87ea1fc50b-ac7ba6e12a-597200245](https://bedrocklearning.org/parents-of-bedrock-school-users/?utm_source=Bedrock+Learning+Master+Audience&utm_campaign=ac7ba6e12a-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2020_03_18_12_18_COPY_01&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_87ea1fc50b-ac7ba6e12a-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

