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Routine for 15

Dear Parents and Carers,

We will be communicating a lot about "Routine for 15" over the next year and supporting you with resources or ideas to help you create a successful learning environment for your child that can be used for all subject areas.

We kindly ask you all to work with us and create a "Routine for 15" – that is 15 minutes daily where the children can step away from the other distractions of life and focus on developing a skill that will support their progress in school.

Your child's class teachers will be in touch this week letting you know which essential skill the class will be working on. This could include handwriting, cutting, spelling, reading, measuring or even counting.

Research has shown that a home learning routine can help children

- See education as a priority in the home, meaning it sets a positive example
- Learn to investigate the world, knowing that learning is everywhere, not just schools
- Set routines that support independent learning time throughout all stages of education.

Research also suggests that it is important to keep the home learning routine consistent, by using the same space, at the same time and without other distractions. As a parent myself I know how hard that can be with other demands from a busy life, so please don't think there is a fixed way to make this work, it has to suit you and your family, but the benefits of creating a routine for learning in your home will support your children hugely.

We appreciate that convincing your children to do 'school work' at home may be a daunting task, but we want to reassure you that this is not pointless homework that will have no impact on their learning, it is an opportunity to practice a skill that will genuinely support them in school, whilst allowing them to sense the importance of learning outside of school.

Many of you may already have a system in place that allows you to create that regular environment for learning in your house. If that is the case, please share your experience and tips with other parents, as sometimes the advice from a friend can make a challenge a lot easier.

Look out for videos, posters and links to support you and your children.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'Sam Greasley', with a stylized, cursive-like script.

Sam Greasley

Head teacher