

Creative Homework Challenge

We are giving children an opportunity to show off their creative skills by completing our **Creative Homework Challenge**. There is no expectation for your child to complete this but please encourage them. These challenges are linked to the learning for the half term.

Creative homework certificates

Bronze - for completing 1 piece of homework this half term.

Silver - for completing 2 pieces of homework this half term.

Gold - for completing 3 pieces of homework this half term.

Menu of Creative Homework Challenge Ideas

Write a diary entry about an exciting or memorable day, including your thoughts and feelings.

Make a homemade musical instrument and explore how to change its pitch or volume.

Create a model or poster showing what life was like in an early civilisation.

Design a seasonal Christmas stocking, labelling your choice of materials and decorations.

Write a persuasive letter answering the question, Should children be allowed to have pets? Include reasons to support your opinion.

Create an illustrated map showing the journeys made by key figures in the Christmas story.

Respectful

Responsible

Ready to Learn

Deneholm Primary School



Compulsory Homework Expectations:

Maths

Reading

Writing

All of the above will be completed on **Purple Mash**. Homework is set online every Thursday and is due to be completed and submitted online by the start of the following Tuesday.

There is an expectation for you to **read** at home with your child at least 5 times per week and online reading records should be signed to reflect this.

Please also encourage your child to log into TTRS daily. Playing just 3 minutes every day will increase children's fluency of times tables which are vital to many areas of maths going forwards.

Reading

Our class read is The Boy at the Back of the Class.

We will continue to develop our reading skills through:

- Making inferences using clues from the text.
- Predicting what might happen next and justifying our ideas.
- Summarising key events and information in our own words.
- Using evidence from the text to support our answers.

Science

In science, we will be

- Investigating how sounds are made by vibrations.
- Exploring how vibrations travel through different materials.
- Understanding how sounds travel from a source to our ears.
- Investigating how the volume and pitch of sounds can change.

Year 4 **Curriculum Overview** **Autumn 2** **2026/2027**



PE

Football
Yoga

Foundation Subjects:

- In History, we will explore early civilisations, learning about how people lived and how societies developed.
- In DT, our project is Seasonal Stockings. We will be designing and making a seasonal stocking.
- In RE, we will explore Christmas Journeys, learning about the Christmas story and reflecting on the journeys made by key figures and their significance to Christians.

PSHE

In PSHE, our topic is Celebrating Difference. We will

- Explore similarities and differences between people.
- Develop empathy and understanding.
- Learn how to show respect and kindness towards others.

Writing:

In writing, we will

- Explore and write diary entries based on the book *The Boy at the Back of the Class*.
- Explore a discussion text and write a balanced argument, considering the question, "Should homework be banned?"

Maths:

We will learn:

- How to identify and explore patterns in multiplication tables including 7 and 9
- Distributive property including multiplying three 1-digit numbers
- Mental multiplication and division strategies using place value and known and derived facts
- Short multiplication
- Read, interpret and construct pictograms, bar charts and time graphs • Compare tables, pictograms and bar charts