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Dear Parents and Carers,

After the homework consultation conducted at the end of last academic year, I invited all families to attend a homework working party last week. I would like to thank those that were able to attend as it was a very productive meeting, where we were able to discuss the barriers and difficulties when completing homework. We discussed the importance of homework being engaging, accessible and clear so parents can support.

Taking into account the feedback received, we have decided to alter how we complete homework. We will still be setting homework weekly each Friday. The key difference is that we will be using Sumdog, which is an online platform that the children access in school. This is a fun, targeted online app, that can provide activities for maths and grammar. Each week, your child's teacher will set a task for your child, which will need to be completed by Thursday. In addition to the task set, your child can complete additional tasks if they wish.

Today, you will receive an email with all your child's logon details for Sumdog.

We recognise that parents will always want to limit the screen time that their child is exposed to. In making screen time educational, it will avoid children being exposed to features such as social media, which they are not legally at the age to access. This will also help to prepare the children for when they enter Secondary school, where all homework is online.

If you have difficulty accessing Sumdog, please let me know via email at info@cloudsideacademy.co.uk.

Thank you for your continued support.

Kind regards

Miss J Milson Head of School



