

Mathematics:

Dear Parents,

Thank you for all that you are doing regarding supporting your children at home. I know some parents have **chosen** to download maths work from Twinkl and other places, please note there are often some errors in their answers – please double check them. **There is no expectation that parents need to download work for their children.**

In regards to mathematics' (whether **Purple Mash or other forms you have chosen** for your child to complete) please consider the following key principles when supporting your children:

- Before attempting the work / question, what are the key points it is asking you to consider or do ?
- What do you already know which can help you reach an answer.
- Think about – 'Does your answer seem sensible ?'
- After answering the question / puzzle etc... reflect on what you have done – Have you worked efficiently ? Could you use this method / approach again with a similar calculation / puzzle ?

- The answer is the least important part – it is what steps you have taken to reach it which is the most important part. Can your child explain what they have done and why?

Don't worry if you are unsure how to support them especially if the work appears unfamiliar or tricky. I had some self-doubt while supporting my daughter yesterday with her on-line shape work.

Kind Regards

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