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Dear Parents / Carers,

Welcome to Brain Builders!

We're really excited to announce that we have launched a new way of doing homework in school. Brain Builders is all about the children taking ownership of their learning and so, rather than being told an activity they must complete, they now have choice about *what* they want to do and *how* they want to do it.

How it works

On a Friday, your child will bring home their Brain Builders book with their Brain Builders options inside. There will either be 2 or 3 subject choices which are linked to the learning your child has done in school. Below each choice, your child's teacher will have given some options about what they could do. These are suggestions only! As long as the work produced is linked to the learning objective/challenge, they can do it however they would like!

Children need to complete one (not all!) of the options in detail or do a little bit of different options. The work is to be recorded in their Brain Builders book. A reasonable amount of time, no more than 30 minutes, would ensure it is high quality work that is produced.

Brain Builders Gallery

The children will have a week to complete their Brain Builders and will bring it back into school on a Thursday. A Brain Builders club will run on a Tuesday lunchtime (12-12.30) if children would prefer to complete it in school. Each Friday, the children will then get the chance to share their work with their peers and teacher in the Brain Builders Gallery. This will give the teacher a chance to talk to the children about their work, stamp it to mark it as completed and award Effort Stars. Teachers will also keep a record of completed Brain Builders each week. When homework is consistently not completed, children will need to attend the lunchtime Brain Builders club.

Please remember that Brain Builders is about the children engaging in the learning they have done. We would expect them to talk with you about the option they want to do and how they will do it but for them to do the work!

Don't hesitate to come into school if you have any questions about how Brain Builders will work. We are looking forward to hearing your feedback at the Parent Coffee Afternoon on Thursday 19th October at 2.45 pm.



Kind regards,

Mrs Pearson

