



Pine Class Homework Choice Menu – Spring 2025

Yet again, the Autumn Term Homework Project resulted in an incredibly high standard of homework. Both in the class and in individual presentations, teachers and pupils learnt so much from each other. This term, following feedback from staff, pupils and parents, we continue to set project homework to be completed by the 26th February deadline alongside the maths or English homework which will be set each week. This menu details a range of fun activities that can be completed at home to extend your child's learning. Please help your child to choose and complete a selection of these activities. To fit in with your family life, they can be completed after school, at weekends or as a half-term project. If you would like further suggestions, please feel free to select from the homework menus of other classes which are all available on the school website. Children will be asked to share at least one of the activities with us in school after half term.

The deadline for this homework is the 26th February and we ask that the homework is not brought in to class until after half-term.

We look forward to finding out about all that you have learnt together!

The Perfect Settlement

Create a diorama model of your 'perfect settlement' it can be based on real life or made up but it has to include lots of detail!

Special Settlements

Research and record the special functions of some settlements, for example:

Ports – by a river or sea for ships to transport goods

Market towns – where local farmers sell goods

Resorts – for people to go on holiday

Settlement Types

Think about the characteristics of different settlements, from isolated places (hamlets/villages) to large cities. Present your findings as a PowerPoint or poster.

Different Shapes and Sizes

Use the internet, maps or atlases to find examples of different sizes of settlements. Be creative in how you present your work, for example you could use a bar chart.

Celtic Art

The designs found in Celtic art are still very popular today. Research some Celtic art and design your own in a similar style.

*Somewhere to
Settle*

Map Reading Skills

The top of most maps is **north** and a **compass** can be used to find which **direction** north is. Compasses show four directions - **north, east, south** and **west**. The needle always points north, so when that is lined up with the map it is easy to see in which direction things are. Use a map and compass to plot and follow a route (with an adult).

Settlements all over the world

People settle in countries all over the world. Choose one you don't know much about and use a blank map of the world to show where it is. Research this country and write down some facts about it.

Explore your Local Area

Get out and about in your local area (with an adult) to explore how land is used and how settlements have grown.

- You could create sketch maps to show how different streets around the school are used.
- You could investigate the age of different buildings in the centre of a town or village to chart how the settlement has grown over time.

Our Settlement

Create an information leaflet about our settlement, Orwell! The leaflet needs to make people want to visit or move to Orwell. Make sure it looks bright and colourful.

Useful websites

https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zx72pv4/articles/zr_bvjhv

Book recommendations

Through Time: London (Richard Platt)

A City Through Time (Steve Noon)

A Street Through Time (Steve Noon) - all give children an insight into how different settlements have changed.