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Dear Parents,

To those of you with children at home, it's been wonderful to see the children joining in with our Teams lessons each day. Thank you for submitting your child's work to Assignments. We know that you are juggling so much at the moment, so a big thank you for the support that you are giving your child with their learning.

To those of you whose child is in school, Mrs Taylor and Mrs Davies are delighted by the way that the children have adapted to this new situation. The children are working hard and being supportive friends to each other.

Just a few updates:

### 1. Bug Club

When your child was in Year 2, each child was given a Bug Club log in. We would like the children at home to use Bug Club. This should be particularly supportive as it continues with banded reading books. Whilst we absolutely want the children to read real books, we would like them to also access the fabulous books in Bug Club, as this means that class teachers are able to see how the children are getting on with their reading and comprehension. Below, I've put the log-in information:

<https://www.activelearnprimary.co.uk/login?c=0>

Log in details

- Username: this is **the child's first 4 letters of their first name followed by the first 4 letters of a surname** - e.g. for a child called Harry Cousins this would be harrcous.
- If either of the first or surname has three letters just use the three letters ie Ian Cousins would be iancous and Harry Fox would be harrfox. This works for the vast majority of our children but the system has added 01 (zero one) or 02 to some children. Try to log in with just the 8 letters but if that fails add 01 eg harrcous01. If this doesn't work try 02, eg harrcous02 and if this still doesn't work, please send an email to the school office [office@highdownschools.org](mailto:office@highdownschools.org) .



- Password: for new users, the password is **school** . Once logged on, you should change your password) However, if you used Bug Club before and changed the password, then use the password that you created.
- School code: **hdjs**
- Once you have logged in, you can access the books from **My Stuff**. Click on a book to open. Teachers can see what the children have been reading and how they are getting on with the quizzes.

Please find information below on how to access the quizzes. This has come from the Grown-ups part of Bug Club.



## Getting the most out of Bug Club

Welcome to Bug Club! Bug Club is a powerful whole-school reading programme that is proven to raise attainment in reading and spelling and is loved by over a million children world-wide.

Children will have their own login details to Bug Club and will have the opportunity to use Bug Club either in school or at home or both depending on the preference of your child's school. Class teachers are able to select a range of books appropriate for your child to read at home. These books will appear in children's 'My Stuff' area on their personal homepages.

Throughout the books there are comprehension quiz questions which children should complete. To answer a question, click on the Bug icon.



When children have finished all of the quiz questions in a book, they will earn coins which they can then spend on 'rewards' in one of the reward areas accessed via their homepage.

All completed books move to the 'My Library' area of children's homepages. Children can read these books again if they want to, or they can choose new books from their 'My Stuff' area.

So, in a book, click here after you have read that page to do the comprehension quiz.

The boy wasn't being very friendly. Jack decided maybe it was time to go.  
 "Come on, Shaz!" he said. "I don't think he wants ..."  
 For the first time, the boy looked at Jack. "Wow!" he said in surprise. "You look just like me."  
 "No," corrected Jack. "You look just like me!"

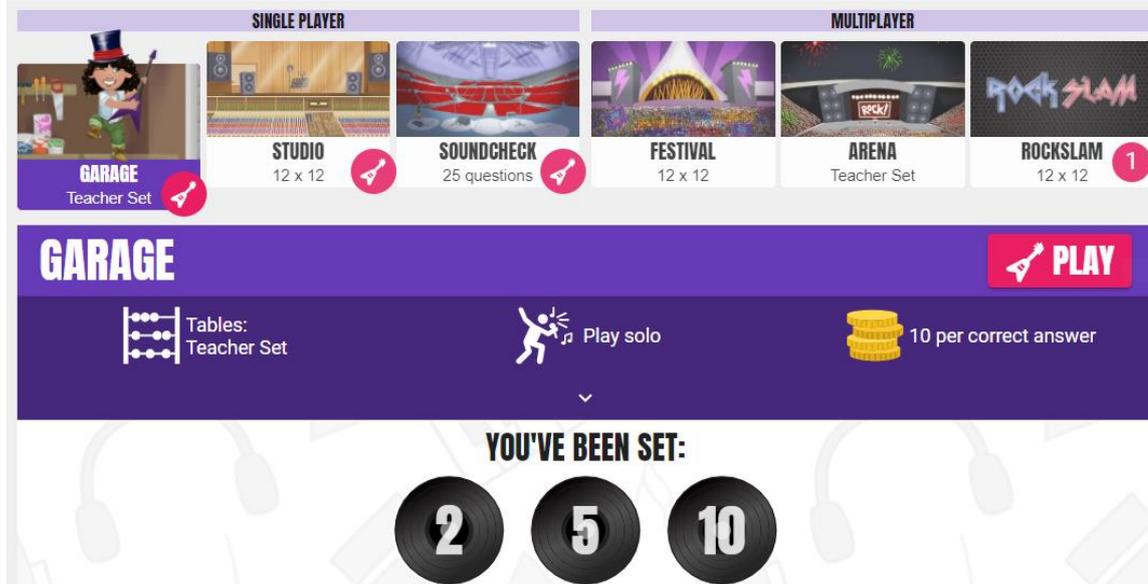


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## 2. Times Table Rockstars

For help with actually learning the multiplication facts, [www.timetables.co.uk](http://www.timetables.co.uk) gives a structured approach. For developing fluency, TTRockstars is fabulous. <https://trockstars.com>

Every child has been set particular tables to work on and these can be accessed in Garage and Arena.



Your child's username and password are stuck in their School Journal. If your child's journal is in school and they can't remember their login information, please contact the school office.

The National Curriculum expectation is that by the end of Year 3, children are able to fluently recall the multiplication facts for the 2, 3, 4, 5, 8 and 10 times tables. Daily practice is the best way to ensure this will happen.

## 3. Reading with a member of school staff

During this week, members of the Year 3 support staff are going to start Teams-based reading sessions with some children, using Bug Club. They will initially phone you to set up these sessions, using their personal phone, which will mean that the number will be withheld.

We send you our very best wishes,

Nicola Wright

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Rachael Taylor

