



Dear Parents/Carers and children,

Welcome to Year 5! We hope you all had a fantastic summer break and are feeling refreshed and ready for an exciting new school year!

General Overview of the Term's Learning

Here's a brief overview of what to expect this term in Year 5:

- **English:** We will focus on poetry (juxtaposition), narrative writing (Star Wars!) and writing letters. Our class texts for VIPERS will be 'A Series of Unfortunate Events' and 'Wonder', with a range of non-fiction being read on Fridays.
- **Maths:** This term's maths curriculum will include place value, addition and subtraction, multiplication and division and fractions.
- **Science:** Students will explore forces and space.
- **History/Geography:** Our lessons will focus on Volcanoes and the Shang Dynasty.
- **Art/DT:** This term will be exploring typography.
- **Music:** Our lessons will explore Jazz.
- **PE:** In PE, we will be learning skills in Dance, Gymnastics, Basketball and Hockey.
- **Computing:** This term will focus on internet safety and computer systems.
- **RE:** In RE we will learn about what is important to Muslims in Britain and Incarnation in Christianity.
- **Lifeskills:** This term will explore Keeping Healthy, Keeping Safe and Growing and Changing.
- **French:** Our learning will focus on seasons and ice creams!

PE Day

Physical activity is a vital part of our students' development. PE day for Year 5 will be on **Mondays and Fridays**. Please ensure your child comes to school in their PE kit on these days, ready to participate in a variety of sports and fitness activities.

Home learning

This year we are focusing on reading as our required priority homework. Therefore, we request that all children read their school reading book every night and get their reading records signed by a parent/carer/older sibling. Further information on this will be shared at our open afternoon on reading.

We will be sending home weekly spellings for children to practice from Reception-Year 6, which will be tested weekly. We will also be sending home log ins for Times Tables Rock Stars and Maths Whizz for children from Y2-Y6 to continue their maths learning at home. Please note that the spellings and maths home learning will help your child consolidate their in-school learning, however is not mandatory.

Healthy Snacks and Hydration

We strongly encourage children to bring healthy snacks for break time that will keep them energised and focused throughout the school day. In addition, it is important that children bring a water bottle to school each day. We kindly request that only water is provided in these bottles.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to reach out, or get in contact with the school office.

Kind regards,

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Year 5 teachers