



Summer Term in Year 5



Welcome back, we hope that you and your children have had an enjoyable Easter. As always we have a busy term ahead of us with lots of new experiences for the children and we hope the following curriculum information will be of use to you over the coming months.

The Curriculum

This term our key theme is 'Leisure and Entertainment through the Ages'. As much of our English, Science, History, Geography, P.E, Music, Art and DT will be inter-linked through this topics. We will be looking at the different periods in time and how leisure and entertainment has evolved and developed.

In maths this term Year 5 will be covering a number of topics, these include: decimals, handling data, rotation & translation, multiplying 2 & 3 digit numbers, long division, area and perimeter, percentages and fractions.

Uniform/P.E. Kit

PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE name all of your child's clothing – both uniform and P.E. kit – including pumps. We like children to have their P.E. kit in school, **at all times**, in case we do sessions that are not on the regular time table. A P.E. bag should have: pumps/trainers, black shorts and a white or yellow T-shirt. T-shirts are available to order through F.R.P.S. (If in doubt see your class teacher or ask at the Office). It is also important to point out that children should be wearing school shoes and not trainers for school.

Reading Books

Your child will bring home a reading book which they will have the opportunity to change on a regular basis. We encourage parents to read with their children regularly. We understand that many children in Year 5 are confident readers, however the comprehension skills are essential, therefore we recommend you to ask questions about the text they are reading, for example: the characters, the plot, the blurb, the author's style, predictions and alternative endings. We expect year 5 children to read at least **4 times per week**. Each time your child reads at home (either independently or to yourselves) please enter it into their home school diary and sign it as they will receive rewards from our new 'Reading Stars' system.

Homework

Thank you for your on-going support with the homework grids. A new grid will be given out for this half term. Children are asked to complete at least 5 tasks to the best of their ability. At the end of the half term, five children from each class will be chosen and rewarded for the effort and quality of the work presented. Additionally, MyMaths or paper based Maths maybe given out if we feel it is necessary. We would be grateful if you would encourage your child to complete their homework to the best of their abilities and ensure it is submitted on time.

Water Bottles

During the summer months, the classroom gets very hot; therefore we strongly advise that children bring a water bottle. Please send your child to school with a clearly named **water** bottle (this can just be a clear plastic bottle), which is separate from their packed lunch and can be stored and refilled within the classroom.

Inhalers/Medication

If your child has an inhaler/medication in school, please ensure that it is within date and send it into your child's teacher.

Miss Thorniley, Mrs Wild & Mrs Clerc.