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Year 5 Curriculum Letter- Term 6, 2019

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Dear Parents/Carer

Firstly, thank you for all your support last term. The children thoroughly enjoyed finding out about rivers and we were very impressed with their explanation texts. Below is all the information you need in order for you to support your child with their learning in their final term of Year 5.

Curriculum:

English: This term our Literacy is based around a text called 'There's a Boy in the Girls' Bathroom' by Louis Sachar. **Please do not ask your children to read this at home as we will be reading and discussing it together in class.** We will be cementing lots of the Literacy skills we have been practising this year, such as using relative clauses and modal verbs, across a range of different writing opportunities based on the text.

We will continue to teach whole class reading using a variety of different text types.

Maths: This term we will be looking more closely at fractions and decimals. We will also be focusing on areas of geometry. Please continue to encourage your child to practise and apply mental maths skills. This could be quick responses to times tables, calculating change required in shops, the length of a television programme or estimating measures: e.g. distances, temperature and length. The children are also encouraged to partake in Times Table Rockstars to help improve their fluency within multiplication facts.

Topic: Our main topic for this term is 'This is your life'. This is a PSHCE focused topic, thinking about family, friends, important life events and changes. It links in with the book we are reading as a class in Literacy.

Science: During Term 6 we will be building on the work we began on forces, gears, levers and pulleys. We will then be working on the life cycles of animals, humans and plants. Our trip to Sutton Courtenay environmental education centre will offer a hands-on approach to this topic.

PE: Correctly named PE kit should be kept in school all week- we plan to make the most of any fine weather. Children should bring their PE kit in on a Monday morning and take it home on a Friday afternoon to be washed. A reminder that PE kits should consist of: navy blue shorts, a plain white t-shirt and trainers for indoor PE; and jogging bottoms and a sweat shirt for outdoor PE. Year 5 PE days are Monday (rounders) and Friday (Tennis), however due to the flexible nature of timetabling, please ensure your child's PE kit is in school all week.

Computing: We will become familiar with blogging and blogs as a genre for writing and learn how to post, comment and reflect on blogs.

Homework:

Spelling and Maths homework will continue to be given out on a Thursday and collected in the following Thursday, regular reading will be rewarded with a purple star. Please encourage your children to read regularly so their reading stamina continues to improve.

Topic homework: There is also a homework menu for Term 6. Any homework completed from the menu will be rewarded with a purple start for effort.

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Important Dates:

Wednesday 5 th June	Yr 5 'Changes' Talk
w/c Monday 24 th June	Sports Week
Wednesday 26 th June	Sports Day
Saturday 29 th June	School Summer Fete
Monday 1 st July	Moving on afternoon
Wednesday 3 rd July	Sutton Courtenay Trip
Wednesday 10 th July	SBS/DGS experience day

If you have any problems, questions or concerns do feel free to discuss them with us, bearing in mind that before school is a very busy time. We look forward to a busy and exciting term!

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Kim Adlam, Heather Manthorpe, Vicky Owen & Cathryn Fernandez Year 5 Class teachers

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