

Year 5's Class Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Children

Welcome back after the Summer Holiday. We hope that you had an enjoyable, restful break and that the following information will be of use at the start of the new school year.

Staffing

The Year 5 team for this year will be:

Mrs. Anderson, Mrs. Lacey, Mrs. Gale, Mrs. Luff

Topic

As part of our new exciting curriculum, Curiosity, which is a localised, enquiry-led curriculum, we will be pursuing the following lines of enquiry.

- What does the earth look like from the solar system?
- How can science help the homeless?

If you think that you have any skills or information that might support our learning, we would love to hear from you!

Homework

Homework will be given out on a **Wednesday**, to be returned on the following **Monday**, along with the reading record books.

We very much value open communication between home and school and would encourage you to use the Homework book for this purpose.

We do appreciate that children have busy lives and from time to time are unable to complete homework. If this is ever the case, just let us know by calling in or by writing a note in their homework book. We do understand!

Clothing, P.E. Kit

P.E. Kit will be required on the following days:

Monday and Thursday

Please could you ensure that P.E. kit is in school on the designated days. It may be more useful if kit remains in school all week. This should include: shorts, t-shirt and trainers for outdoor sessions. As the weather gets colder, please also ensure your child has a pair of jogging trousers and a sweatshirt in their PE bag.

Please could you make sure that all clothing/possessions are clearly labelled; lost items are much easier to track down this way. Thank you.

Jewellery

In line with school policy and for health and safety reasons, we discourage the wearing of jewellery. Watches and stud earrings are acceptable although these will need to be removed/ covered for P.E. sessions.

Thank you.

Drinks

It is important that the children drink water during the day. Children who wish to bring drinks into the classroom, should bring them in a clearly named bottle. This bottle can be refilled in school as the need arises.

Break time Snacks

Please could we remind you that we encourage fruit and vegetable snacks on Monday - Thursday, with the children having a freer choice on a Friday. If you are not sure about what to send, please ask. In line with school policy, sweets and chocolate are not allowed at break times.

Intervention Groups

From time to time, we offer the children additional support to enhance their learning. It is not always possible to do this in class time and sometimes intervention groups may take place

during assembly time. Whilst we value the daily act of worship held in school, we also recognise the impact that a 15 minute, small group session can have. We assume that most parents and carers are happy with this but if you do feel strongly that your child should not miss the daily act of worship, please let us know in writing.

Year 5 Meeting

In order to welcome you to Year 5, we would like to invite you to a meeting on Thursday 27th September between 9.20 - 9.40 am, where we will be able to offer current information and answer any queries that you may have. The meeting will be held in the classroom.

Parent-Teacher interview meetings are scheduled for Tuesday 16th October and Thursday 18th October. Details will follow nearer the time.

Help

If you would like to help out in school, we would love to hear from you. No previous experience is necessary and an information pack will be given

on your first visit. In line with our Safeguarding procedures, we would have to ask that a police check be carried out. Please ask at the Office for details and a form.

Finally

Could we please ask for your help with supporting some of our children with their reading skills.

If you are able to spare any time at all during the week, please let us know. It would be very much appreciated.

If you have any queries about any aspect of Year 5, do not hesitate to come and see us.

Thank you for your continued support.

The Year 5 Team