

### Uniform

Please ensure that children come to school wearing smart school uniform, including black, unbranded shoes. Further information regarding this can be found on the school website.

### Snack

Please ensure that your children bring a healthy snack to school each day - fruit only please (no crisps or chocolate).

### General Information

Could all parents please ensure that your child's jumper, book bag and lunch box are clearly labelled. In addition, please ensure that they have a drinks bottle with water for the classroom.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to ask and we will be more than willing to help.

Miss Clemes, Mr Senior, Mrs Westaway and Mrs Patterson

# Welcome to Year 5



# 2023/2024

This booklet has been designed to provide parents with some information and answer any initial questions you might have about your child's journey into Year 5.

### The Year 5 Team



**Miss Clemes   Mr Senior   Mrs Patterson   Mrs Westaway**

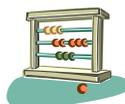
### Reading

Reading at home is the best way to aid your child's progress with their learning. We ask that all children read for 15 minutes per day at home and that they are given the opportunity to discuss their book with an adult. Children in Year 5 will continue to use Accelerated Reader, which matches a child's reading ability to the correct level of book (also known as their 'ZPD'). Once they have finished a book, they will then be expected to take a quiz on the contents of the book to check their understanding. However, we also encourage all children to read books of their choice as 'Reading for Pleasure' has been shown to be one of the best predictors of later academic success. This means that reading magazines, newspapers and books above or below their ZPD will also help to support your child's reading enjoyment and success.



### Maths

In Year 5, we build upon what your child has learnt in Year 4, securing strategies and key methods. In September, your child will receive a letter reminding them of their TT Rockstars login details, which will allow them to practise their times tables at home. In Year 5 we will continue to practise and revise our multiplication and division facts up to the 12x table. We would like children to have a go on TT Rockstars regularly to help secure their times tables as this will help them in many areas of their maths learning.



### Topic learning this term

This term we will be learning about Countries, Cities, Human and Physical Geography and Properties of materials in Science.

### PE

PE this term will take place on a **Wednesday** and **Friday** afternoon. On these two days, children may come to school in their PE kits. The recommended PE kit list is a white t-shirt, black shorts and plimsolls/trainers. Girls who wear tights will need a pair of socks to put on. As the weather begins to turn colder, tracksuit bottoms may become more suitable.

Swimming - Year 5 will take part in a one week crash course of swimming lessons later in the term. A letter will be sent out soon which further explains how swimming will work this year.

### Homework

Each week, we will expect the children in Year 5 to:

- Read for 15 minutes each night
- Practise times tables weekly on TTRS
- Practise spellings using Spelling Shed

### Communication

As children walk down to class by themselves in the morning, please send any important messages via eSchools or by calling the school office.

### Drop off and collection

Start of the day - children should be at school at 8:35am and enter via the bike shed gate.

End of the day - children will be dismissed from behind the bike shed gate at 3:15pm

Please complete the online form sent out at the start of term if you would like to give permission for your child to walk home alone.