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Welcome to Year 5/6!

Whether you are returning to school after the summer holidays or you are new to our school, we want to make sure that you have all the relevant information you need to know in order for your child to have a smooth start to the academic year.

It is so lovely to see all of the children back in school and we are eager to enjoy another exciting term, filled with new learning and experiences.

Year 5/6 Reading

Please continue to ensure that your child reads every day. Children will still be able to progress with the R.E.D (Read Every Day) challenge, to achieve badges, bookmarks, vouchers and books for their reading. The children have all been given a Reading Record to encourage reading at home and for parents to sign daily.

Spelling

Spelling rules will be worked on in class throughout the year, alongside spellings from the Year 5/6 list of the new curriculum and misspellings discovered in classwork. Spelling teaching follows a scheme of work and words may be sent home for additional practice.

SATs

Testing will take place in the week of May 11th - 14th and Year 6 children will undertake the following tests:

Reading comprehension, English grammar, punctuation and spelling, Arithmetic and Mathematical Reasoning (2 papers).

These tests are an opportunity for your child to show what they know and are able to achieve. They are not something to be feared. Throughout the year, the children will be taught good study habits and will, on regular occasions, practise answering the types of questions asked. As long as your child makes good effort to develop their skills, knowledge and understanding in class work, listen to advice

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and continually strive to improve, they will have nothing to worry about. To help the children do their best, expectations are set high and the children are encouraged and expected to work hard and try their best.

Homework

Homework will be given to support classwork on a Monday. This may include: extension activities, extra practise of class objectives and revision work. It will be due in on the following Monday. If homework is not completed it will be expected to be caught up in school during break / lunchtimes.

Attendance

The pace is fast in year 5/6. Absence could lead to children falling behind in their work quite quickly. It is essential that children are in school on time, to make the most of lessons at the start of the day, and that they have a good attendance record.

Reminders:

PE

PE day this year will be Wednesday. We ask that children come to school every Monday wearing their PE kit. PE kit consists of blue shorts or tracksuit bottoms, a plain white or coloured t-shirt (the colour of their House) and trainers.

Uniform

School uniform is expected to be worn at all times, including school polo shirt; grey school trousers/skirt, school jumper and black school shoes.

Times Tables

By Year 5/6 all children should be able to recall times tables up to 12 x 12 (including division facts) please regularly practise these with your children. We will have mental maths tests regularly in which children will rely on these skills.

Communication

Throughout the year, the school website should be your first port-of-call for information. Here, we will publish letters, timetables and further information. The website address can be found at the top of this letter. For any further enquiries, please contact the school office.