



Year 5 Class Letter Autumn 2023

Hello parents/carers and Year 5 pupils,

Welcome back everyone! We've missed you all and hope you've had a great summer break and are ready for your first term in Year 5. Please see the curriculum coverage on our attached Topic Web for this term to look at what we will be learning!

We are lucky to have a trainee teacher with us this term. His name is Mr Bryant and he will be in our class until the end of the term. We also have Michele in class from Monday - Wednesday and Nicola on Thursday and Friday.

Timetable and routines:

★ School gates will open at 8:40am and all children are expected in class by 8:50am to start registration. Please can children line up by the canteen where Miss Hatcher will be to walk children up to our class.

★ School finishes at 3:15pm. **Please can I ask that parents wait by the canteen for children to be walked down from class.**

★ PE will be on a **Thursday**, please ensure children come to school dressed in their P.E kit (School hoodie, white polo shirt, black shorts, black leggings/tracksuit bottoms, trainers, a waterproof coat and a water bottle).

★ A spare kit should be brought to school or kept in school in case children get wet or muddy during their P.E session.

Autumn 1- Multi skills and Cross Country

Autumn 2- Tag Rugby and Indoor Athletics

Studs are recommended for tag rugby, however we have several pairs in school that children are welcome to borrow.

General reminders

★ Please ensure uniform is clearly named, along with lunchboxes and drinks bottles.

★ We are encouraging children to bring a healthy snack to school and as a school, are trying to be more 'plastic aware' so we are encouraging children, where possible, to bring their snacks in reusable containers.

★The weather is forever changing so please ensure your child has a suitable waterproof jacket in school everyday.

★Pencil cases can be brought into school but must remain in the children's bags and only used in specific lessons- we only have small tables and pencil cases can take up a lot of space!

Home learning

Starting next week, the children will have homework sent home to support their learning or to prepare for their future learning. Details for the homework will be posted on Class Dojo every week. Any questions should be directed to Miss Hatcher.

Reading

We aim to instill a love of reading and to teach children the strategies required to become excellent independent readers who can discuss what they have read confidently. Children will enjoy a wide range of reading experiences in class including whole class guided sessions, group reading, one to one reading and opportunities to be read to and read independently and with friends for pleasure. Please continue to share a book at home every day and make a note of this in your diary. Little and often really is the key to excellent progress in reading. Our school philosophy is to share a book at least 5 times a week and make a note of this in the home school diary.

Class Dojo

The school uses Class Dojo to record positive examples of learning behaviours and character values. Both teachers and parents found this a very useful tool of communication and therefore, it will continue this year. If you would like any help in accessing this app or are still yet to be set up as a parent, please let me know.

If you need to contact me at any point, please drop in and see me or contact me through Class Dojo.

Thank you for your continued support and we look forward to a fun filled and enjoyable term!

The Year 5 team

Dates To Remember

- Our 'Meet the Teacher' meeting will take place on Monday 11th September at 2.45 in the Year 5 Classroom.
- Parent Mental Health Workshop - October 13th 9- 10.30am - location TBC on Dojo.
- Harvest Festival - October 19th 1.30pm at the Church, parents welcome.
- Inset Day - October 20th.
- 22nd - 27th October – Half Term

