



September 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

Curriculum Plans for the Autumn Term

Welcome to Year 5! We hope everyone has had a lovely holiday and feels fully recharged for the term ahead. Throughout the Autumn Term, we will be focusing on 'The world and my place in it' with our main topic focus 'What role did the British Empire play in the Slave Trade?' Please see our topic web for more information on all the exciting things we have in store for this term!

Here is some important information to explain things for the Autumn Term and life in Year 5.

The Year 5 Team

- Mrs Miller-Orme (Maple)
- Mrs Carter (Oak)
- Mrs Roper (TA)

Reading

We are excited to start our new class book, Journey Back to Freedom, by Catherine Johnson. The children will be able to access chapters of the book via Showbie. We expect children in Year 5 to be reading daily at home and we ask for regular comments by your child to be written in their reading diaries. Valuing reading really does make a difference to a child's fluency and enjoyment.

Homework

We are continuing to send out homework menus this year, with optional homework for the children to complete. Spelling homework will be given weekly and children will be tested each Thursday. Children can also access maths homework through MyMaths where there are lots of practice activities and games for them to complete. In addition, they can continue to practise their times tables as this underpins a lot of the maths we do.

Correspondence

We will be using the website and class posts (within notices) to share information with you. We will use ScholarPack to pass on more urgent information, as it is the most direct way of

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getting information to everyone. If you need to speak to us, please email or get in touch via a phone call through the office.

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PE

PE will be taught on Wednesdays and Thursdays, so children should arrive at school in the correct PE kit on these days. Earrings should **not** be worn for safety reasons. However, if this is not possible, with new piercings, then plasters must be brought into school by your child to cover earrings on PE days.

Welcome Meeting

We would like to invite you to a Year 5 welcome meeting to discuss how you can support your child with their home learning this year, the residential and other key pieces of useful information. This will take place on Monday 9th September, at 3:45pm, in 5 Oak.

Dates for Year 5 Parents' Evening

Year 5 parents' evenings will be held on Wednesday 23rd and Thursday 24th October. Further information regarding appointments will be sent out in due course.

We hope this letter has provided some useful information for life in Year 5. As always, we thank you in advance for your support.

The Year 5 Team