



January 2020

Dear Parents,

Welcome to a new term in Year 5. We hope you all had an enjoyable Christmas break and we wish you a happy and healthy 2020. Thank you once again for the cards and gifts we received. We would like to take this opportunity to inform you about the exciting learning that will be taking place during the Spring Term.

Children are expected to:

- Read on a daily basis and record this in their planners. They will participate in paired reading sessions in school and all children have books assigned to their Bug Club accounts.
- Extend their vocabulary by reading from a variety of fiction and non-fiction texts.
- Use legible joined handwriting using a pen (once they have achieved their pen licence) - blue ink please.
- Know off by heart all multiplication and division facts for times tables up to 12 x 12.
- Have their planners signed weekly in order for you to acknowledge the home learning set. Please remind your children if you have written us a message as we don't check planners every day. Planners are checked weekly, usually on a Monday.

Home Learning

Home learning will be set on a Friday and will be due in the following Friday. Spelling quizzes will take place the following Friday. Thank you for your support with all tasks set.

P.E.

Please make sure that your child has the correct P.E. kit in school every day. This half term, Year 5's P.E. days are Monday and Thursday, changing to Monday and Tuesday after half term. As the children will have outdoor sessions, tracksuits are essential. Hair that touches the shoulders **must** be tied back and earrings removed, as part of the health and safety policy. Please also note that tights are not to be worn for P.E. lessons, so socks must be part of your child's P.E. kit if they intend to wear tights.

Year 5 Performance to Parents

Our Shakespearian performance will take place on Tuesday 31st March. A letter will be sent out closer to the time regarding arrangements for the performance and the allocation of tickets. Any support with the costumes that your children will need would be appreciated but does not need to be done at great cost.

Visit by The Young Shakespeare Company

We are very fortunate that The Young Shakespeare Company will be performing 'A Midsummer Night's Dream' to Year 5 on Monday 10th February. Thanks to the PTA who are paying for this visit.



Frylands

From 30th April – 1st May, Year 5 will be visiting Frylands Outdoor Activity Centre for our overnight residential trip. We will have a meeting for parents and children after half term. A letter regarding this meeting will be sent out in due course.



Classes visit the library each week and choose a suitable book to read in school and at home. Teachers monitor these books for suitability and your child needs to have them in school every day as part of their on-going reading. Books can be renewed, but need to be in school on Wednesdays please.

We hope that you find this information useful, but please don't hesitate to come and see us if you have any queries.

Mrs. Gallagher and Mrs. Horscroft