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Year 5 Welcome Newsletter

Hello and welcome to Year 5. We are incredibly excited to be spending this next year with you as a classroom family. We hope that you feel rested and ready after your summer break and that you are all set for a new year of learning, friendship and fun!

We would like to take this opportunity to say hello to parents and carers. This newsletter contains information that is important at the start of our year. If there is anything else you would like to know, or are unsure of, please don't hesitate to contact us.

Take care and God bless.

Mrs Parr.



Mrs Parr



Mrs Marrow



Mrs Coyle

Staff

Mrs Marrow and Mrs Coyle will be working alongside us all week in our Year 5 classroom. If there is anything you think we need to know and you can't catch a member of staff at the beginning or end of school day, please do ring/email school or write on Class Dojo. Where possible staff respond to Dojo messages between the hours of 8.30am and 5.30pm.

Weekly Mass

On Tuesdays, different classes from our school attend the morning mass at our local parish church, St. Bernadette's – see dates at the bottom, overleaf. You are always very welcome to join us so please come along.

Homework

Homework is a valuable way of enhancing your child's learning and we greatly value your support. Children will have weekly tasks of reading, spelling and times tables.

The children will receive weekly spellings. These will consist of some words with the same spelling pattern and also words that the children will need to know by the end of Year 5. Our spelling tests will be completed on a Monday.

A good knowledge of times tables and the corresponding division facts is a key skill every child needs. Children will be given a times table task or division task to learn and tested each Friday.

Reading

Reading should be completed at home as often as possible. Please make sure you sign your child's reading record each time you read.

Children can change their book as soon as they have completed it. We are encouraging children to change their own reading books. We will also be encouraging children to have a class reader of their choice that they can read in reading time in class.

Regular whole class reading lessons will be taught in class every week as well as in our English lessons.



I have asked children to contribute to our Y5 Top Reads. This will take the form of a book review produced creatively to go in our cosy read corner. There is no set hand in date for this. Please just bring your review in when you are ready to share your love of reading.



Equipment/Resources needed

Please remember to bring in your water bottle each day. They can be refilled during each day.

Our PE days are Monday and Wednesday, so the children will need to come to school wearing their PE kit on those days. Our PE Kit is a our school PE T-shirt, plain black joggers/leggings/shorts and trainers with a plain black hoodie (no logo). Please label all clothing, coats and shoes.

Lunches

If your child is opting for a school lunch then please order these on the myevolvehub.com If you have any questions about lunches/payments etc then please contact the school office. Children are allowed to bring in a snack for break times but remember, try and choose a healthy option such as a piece of fruit or perhaps some toast?

Payments

We are moving towards a cashless system and so use 'ParentPay' for all payments to the school. Please contact the school office with any questions you may have about ParentPay.

Attendance

It is very important to your child's education they attend school and arrive on time. If there are any problems, Mrs Crowder will be happy to help. No holidays must be taken in term time.

Important Dates for Year 5

Wednesday October 19th Parents evening from 1.15pm