

Class 5 Summer Term 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

It is so lovely to have all the children back in school again - I do hope that you enjoyed a restful Easter Break. We have three new children in Class 5 and it has been wonderful to see how kindly they have been welcomed into the class group and how well they are settling in.

Reminders

The new timetable for this term is in the children's homework diaries.

May I remind you that all children need clear pencil cases and that these should include a glue stick and a whiteboard pen? Due to Covid Restrictions, pencil cases will need to stay in school for the duration of the term.

PE will take place on Tuesday and Wednesday each week: as previously, please could children come to school dressed in their PE kits.

Homework

Children are expected to read three times each week and to practise writing their spellings in sentences three times each week. They need to record their reading/spelling practices in their reading diaries. Please pass ownership of this on to your children as it is important that they begin to take responsibility for their personal admin - however, it might be helpful if you remind them. I will be checking all reading diaries on Monday and will award House Points for those who have recorded three reading and three spelling practices each week.

Each week, a spelling test takes place on Monday, a times tables test on Tuesday and homework will be set on Wednesday. Children have Reading Eggspress and Mathletics accounts and they are expected to work through these two programmes as they are able to each week.

Homework diaries are due in every **Monday** and will be needed in school on **Wednesdays**.

SPELLINGS: Set Monday Tested the following Monday.	Practise at least 3 times a week, making sure you understand the meaning of the words.
LITERACY: MATHS - Set on alternate Wednesday, due in following Wednesday.	35 minutes. If homework takes longer then please stop after 30 minutes.
Mathletics and Reading Eggspress	35 minutes.
READING: At least three times a week - it can be helpful for some children to read with an adult.	If you are able to, please keep reading to your child - if they hear stories that are read well, it will empower them as writers.

TIMES TABLES: Several times a week as required.	The national curriculum target is for all children to know their times tables up to 12x12 by the end of Year 4. As the maths becomes more complex in Y5/6, not knowing times tables will impact on your child's confidence.
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Literacy

This term each child will be writing a story based on The Piano <https://vimeo.com/57315645> and to support their writing process we will be focusing upon using quality vocabulary. I have asked children to source and read what I am calling 'Quality Reading Books' during class reading sessions to help them find and use this vocabulary. I have provided a set of books from the school library for their use and we will also be reading Tom's Midnight Garden together. I have asked those who have a love for David Walliams, The Diary of a Wimpy Kid and graphic novels to reserve these books for lunchtime reading - I would be so grateful if you could support me in this.

Literacy targets for the term have been updated and recorded in the back of the children's literacy books: please talk to your child about their targets and encourage them to work hard towards achieving them.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any queries or concerns. Write a note in the homework diary (checked on **Mondays**) or send an email via the school office to make an appointment or arrange a phone call. We look forward to a fun-packed and enjoyable term ahead.

With the kindest regards,
Mrs Silmon, Mrs Watkins, Mrs Mann and Mr Smith

Curriculum at a Glance - Summer 2021

English <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Piano - story writing skills practiced Reading - Tom's Midnight Garden Persuasive leaflet - visiting Longon Spelling and grammar Whole class guided reading 	Maths <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fractions Decimals Percentages Time The 4 operations (+ - x ÷)
Science <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Forces Life and Living Processes - Plants 	RE <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Class Assemblies: Fruits of the Spirit Picturing Jesus Buddhism
ICT <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Blog writing 	PE <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Basket Ball Cricket
Music <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Garage Band 	PSHE <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Relationships Changing Me
Geography London History Ancient Greece (concluding this topic from last term)	Art /DT Cookery (Before Half Term) Forest School (After Half Term)

