



Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to Year 5! We hope that you have had a relaxing and enjoyable summer.

What a super start we have had in Year 5, we are so looking forward to getting to know the children this year.

The Year 5 team consists of Mr Jones who will be teaching the Kestrels and Mrs Cooper who will be teaching the Stags. We would like to welcome Mrs Anstey and Mrs Revill, who is joining us to support the children as our Teaching Assistants.

We will be out on the playground in the mornings to greet the children and in the afternoon to dismiss them. Feel free to come and chat to us if you have any questions or just want to come and introduce yourself to us. Additionally, please feel free to email the office.

We are in for a fun-filled exciting Autumn Term! Our topic is Dynamic Dynasties.

We will be learning about the history of Ancient China, focusing primarily on the Shang Dynasty. Our linked book study for this project will be the exciting story 'When the Mountain meets



the Moon' by Grace Lin. The children will be covering a variety of different text types, such as narrative poems, biographies, diaries and non-chronological reports. We will be having daily handwriting and spelling practise.

Maths will begin with a big push on the four operations: addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. This will include place value, fractions and written and mental calculations. Remember all children have passwords and logins for TT Rockstars, so please keep practising your times tables.

Below are just a few general reminders:

PE Kit - Our PE sessions are on Mondays and Thursdays. We are really lucky to have Coach 'Jumpshot' Jimmy Smith coming in to teach the children basketball on Mondays.

Children will need to have appropriate trainers, black joggers/shorts and a white t-shirt. The children must be able to remove their earrings or bring plasters to cover them. Please make sure your children have their PE kit on the appropriate days.

Water bottles - Your child needs to bring in their own water bottle every day.

Reading books -We would love Year 5 to be the FAB4 champions! Please encourage your child to read every night and remember to sign their diaries. We will check their totals every Monday. Please remind your child has their reading diary in school every day.

We would love to have some parent/ grandparent volunteers come and listen to readers one afternoon, if you're free, let us know! It would be greatly appreciated. Also, if you are available to support with trips, please let us know.

Homework will be issued every Friday, which will be a piece of Maths and English, which will be due in the following Wednesday. The children will also be given spellings to learn on a Monday and will be tested on the Friday. Please support your child in meeting the deadlines! (good practice for secondary school!)

There will be a short meeting in our classrooms on Friday 19th September straight after school, to welcome you and have a chat about the expectations in Year 5.

We are looking forward to working with you all this year. Thank you for your support.



Year 5 team.

