

WELCOME LETTER YEAR 5

September 2023

I hope you have had a lovely time over the summer and I am sure that you are now ready to start the new school year, so welcome to Year 5! I am absolutely thrilled to be your new class teacher and am looking forward to getting to know you better and working together so that we have a very exciting and productive year. I am sure that you will enjoy the new challenges that Year 5 has to offer!

Parents/carers, if you have any queries or concerns, please feel free to speak to me at the end of the school day. If you need to speak to me at another time, please notify the office to arrange an appointment at a mutually convenient time. I know that if we work together, we can make this a fantastic academic year!

On Wednesday 20th of September I will be having a short meeting to greet parents of our year 5 class at 3:15pm. If you are able to attend it would be lovely to meet you and discuss what is coming up in the autumn term.

Class Information for children:

Reading: You will take home an accelerated reading book based on your reading age. Please complete the weekly reading log in your planner and we encourage you to read at least **three** times each week – please could you ask your grown up to sign your planner to let us know you have done this. It is essential that your planner is in school every day as it is a very useful resource.

Times Tables: It is vital that you learn your times tables. We will help you with this in class but it is also your responsibility to then practise at home.

Spellings: You will be taught spellings each week and these will be stuck into your planner so you can practise and show your grown up. There won't be a weekly spelling test.

Homework : We will set a weekly homework activity each Friday to be completed in your homework books. This will either consolidate work being covered in class or involve practising a key skill. We will use Google classroom to send out reminders and links to anything you might need. We will also add a link which takes you to the Outwood Primary

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Learning Library Website. Here you will find the knowledge organiser / quiz for the topics you will be learning so you can take a look at home and share it with your grown up. They will love to know what you are learning about. [//sites.google.com/outwood.com/primary-learning-library/home](https://sites.google.com/outwood.com/primary-learning-library/home)

Additional homework resources:

In your planner, you will find a login for Google classroom, Times Table Rock Stars and Accelerated Reader.

Extra information for parents / carers:

PE : Your child's PE lessons will take place on **Monday and Thursday**. However, it is best to have their PE kits in school all week; your child should bring them in on Monday and take them home on Friday. PE kit consists of: black shorts, black PE socks and **purple / white** t-shirt. Trainers/pumps and a plain warm top are required for outdoor PE.

Inhalers: If your child requires an inhaler please ensure that this is still in date and handed in to the school office. Please let us know if there is any other medical information that you would like us to know about.

Glasses: If your child wears glasses, please encourage them to bring them each day and we will encourage them to take them home at the end of the day.

Water Bottles: Please provide your child with a water bottle to ensure they stay hydrated throughout the day.

Snacks: We are more than happy for your child to bring a snack for break times but please ensure this is a healthy one eg fruit / healthy snack bar. These must be placed in your child's bag / book bag and **not** in their lunch box as there is no access to the lunch box trolley until lunchtime.

Planners: when the children receive their planner please sign the relevant pages (pages 6, 10 & 11) and encourage your child to bring it into school each day as it will be used in lessons on a daily basis.

Thank you very much for your support - we are very much looking forward to working together with you this year and sharing your child's progress with you.

Year 5 Team

Miss J Quarmby

Mrs Cotton (Teaching assistant mornings)

Mrs Wilkinson (Teaching assistant mornings)

Mr Booth (Teaching assistant afternoons)