



Year 5 Newsletter

Summer 1st 2019

Dear Parents/Carers of Year 5,

We hope that you had a restful Easter holiday.

This Term's Learning:

This half term the children will be transported back to the 1940's and learn about life as a child through World War Two. To 'hook' the children into the topic, they will spend the day as an evacuee, first working as a team to think of suitcase essentials and making a gas mask and then being 'evacuated' to the countryside where they will write letters home and participate in outdoor games (weather permitting). In literacy, we will be reading 'Goodnight Mister Tom' and completing some writing based on the book.

Our outcome will be a VE day street party where we will showcase the dances of the era and enjoy sandwiches and community spirit, more details will be given later in the term.

Swimming will be commencing on Friday 26th April and will happen every Friday of this term. Please refer back to previous letters for equipment needed.

Home Learning:

❖ **This half term, instead of the normal home-learning books, your child will be given a home learning folder in which to keep their work.**

As in previous half-terms, home learning folders will be given out on a Friday and will be expected to be handed in by Wednesday. A topic sheet will be stuck in your child's home learning folder. Children will be asked to choose a set number of activities to complete over the half term. A copy of the week's maths and literacy activities will be also be stuck in the home learning folder.

General:

- ❖ Children come into school and leave via the library door.
- ❖ Your child will need the following stationery: a black handwriting pen, a red biro, pencil, rubber, sharpener, glue stick, dry-wipe whiteboard pen, ruler and colouring pencils. Space on tables is limited so please ensure that pencil cases are 'appropriately-sized'. Your child may prefer to keep their colouring pencils in a smaller pencil case in their trays.
- ❖ Our PE days are Tuesday and Thursday - please ensure children have the correct kit and footwear. (However, sometimes there are changes to the timetable so PE kits need to be in school all the time)
- ❖ No jewellery is to be worn for PE lessons
- ❖ Children may wear a watch and a pair of small silver/gold stud earrings for school - no bracelets
- ❖ No makeup (including tinted lip balm and nail varnish) is to be worn
- ❖ Hair is to be tied up (with an appropriate coloured and sized hairband) at all times during the school day.

- ❖ Your child should bring in a piece of fruit or vegetable to enjoy during story-time.
- ❖ Your child will also need a named bottle filled with water every day.
- ❖ We will check and sign diaries every Wednesday. As many of you may be aware, parents/carers signing the diary is a requirement at secondary school so it is important to get into this routine now. Your child should be asking you to sign the diary before Wednesday.

If you have any questions, please feel to ask, we will be out on the playground Tuesday and Thursday mornings between 8.45 am and 9.00am and after school.

We hope that the children enjoy this busy, yet enjoyable time of the year.
Only one more term to go...!

Kind regards,
"The Year 5 Team"