

Dear Parents,

We hope you have had a lovely Easter break and enjoyed some family time. Prior to the holidays it was fantastic to have all of the children back in school full time; these few weeks gave us the opportunity to carefully review the children's individual successes and progress throughout the Spring Term. These assessments have subsequently informed our planning of a responsive curriculum that prioritises key aspects of the Year 5 Curriculum whilst maintaining broad, creative and engaging opportunities. The Summer Term is now underway and we are all looking forward to exploring our new topics and challenges following our assessments. We hope this newsletter will give you some key information about what you and your child can expect for their last term in Year 5. We will be starting our North American geographical study with a focus on the marvellous land of Mexico then travel back in time and study the Ancient Maya for our final two topics! Please see our topic web for a full list of subject topics to be covered over the coming weeks.

**PE** - Our PE lessons are still timetabled on a Monday and Wednesday, but please ensure your child has their complete (named!) PE kit in school every day as sometimes the timetable may change, or we may be participating in special events that require PE kit and we do not want any of the children to miss out.

**Home Learning** - Just as last term, tasks will continue to be set weekly via ClassDojo to be completed at home; set each Thursday to be handed in the following Tuesday. Please feel free to also use ClassDojo for class teacher queries (not attendance!) but be aware this may only be checked on a daily basis due to teaching commitments.

It is anticipated that your child should spend around 30 minutes each week and should expect to receive the following:

➤ **Spelling and Grammar**

Children will continue to be set weekly spellings that usually follow a particular pattern or rule. They will be tested weekly to ensure the rules are understood. Grammar and punctuation tasks will continue to be set weekly. Later in the term we will be setting some more creative topic challenges with a choice of activities based on our current learning.

➤ **Maths**

We will continue to set children homework on MyMaths. The tasks set on this will either be linked to the current topic in maths, or a task which will aid their ability to recall and use basic number facts efficiently. It has come to our attention that a number of children have not been completing their TT Rockstars home learning each week. Please support us in reminding your children to do this. We will also continue to teach and test a range of maths fluency skills in our wizarding math's magician sessions. Please ensure your child learns their tables and calculations to enable them to achieve the next level of certificates.

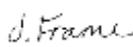
**Reading** - In addition to their written home learning, we ask that all children bring their reading record into school daily to enable us to review their reading at home and record reading completed in school. We encourage the children to read five times a week for at least 15 minutes and would be grateful if you could sign the entries that your child has made.

As the summer is approaching, we would also like to take this opportunity to remind you that all pupils should bring a water bottle and on very sunny days a cap.

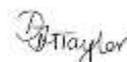
Thank you for your continued support.



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