

# Welcome to Year 5



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Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to an exciting new school year! We are all really looking forward to supporting your child/children as they return to school and working with them during this academic year.

If there is anything you would like to discuss, please do not hesitate to come and see me or drop me a message on Class Dojo.

We look forward to working together this year.

Kind regards,

Miss Powell

## Drinks and snacks

The children are also allowed to bring in fruit, vegetables and two plain biscuits from home. They are only allowed to eat their plain biscuits at afternoon break. All children also need to bring in a labelled water bottle, which is kept in the classroom and is available to drink from throughout the day. The children are only allowed water in their bottles. If your child brings packed lunches, they will need an additional drink and this can be water, fruit juice or squash.



## PE

We do indoor PE on Thursdays and outdoor PE on Mondays.

Games and P.E are compulsory for all children, except for those permanently excluded on health grounds. If this is the case, a note from the child's GP must be sent into the school. For those children suffering from minor ailments, a brief note or Class Dojo message must be sent into the class teacher prior to the P.E lesson taking place.

We are asking children to come into school wearing their P.E kit, when it is their class P.E day. Suitable clothing for P.E is essential, and we are asking for the following to be worn:

- Plain black shorts,
- Completely plain white t-shirt or completely plain t-shirt in your child's house colour (the school logo is allowed),
- Appropriate sports' trainers that can be used within PE lessons (ideally black),
- Plain, black sweatshirt/zip-up top,

- Black jogging bottoms or black leggings.
- Black daps to change into when outdoor shoes are wet or muddy

With the same uniform being worn by all the children, please do label all your child's clothing and equipment.

All children with long hair must have it tied up on PE days and no jewellery may be worn. If your child cannot remove their earrings, you must provide them with plasters or micropore tape for them to be safely covered.

### Home learning



In order to support your child's progress in school, please give time to learning at home.

**Reading:** Your child will bring home a staged book and a 'richer read' book each week. The staged book is matched to their developing fluency and comprehension skills, whereas the 'richer read' is not. The 'richer read' will have been chosen by your child because they are interested in the subject / author / genre and its purpose is to continue to promote a love of books and reading.

We are continuing to think of new ways to encourage a lifelong love of reading in our children. One way we are going to promote this is through our whole school reading reward scheme.

We aim for every child to read at home at least four times a week. When children do read at home, and have their reading journal signed by an adult, they can receive a 'punch' on their new 'Reading Reward Punch Card'.



When they have read at home 20 times, they will have completed their punch card and will be celebrated in ICA assembly. There are three different levels of punch card - Bronze, Silver and Gold. Each time your child completes a level they will be rewarded with a different incentive.

**Bronze** = ICA celebration and a special sticker

**Silver** = ICA celebration and a special pencil

**Gold** = ICA celebration and a book from the Golden Box.

We hope that you will join us in promoting a love of reading and supporting your child in working towards earning a Golden Box book of their choice!

### Homework

We are keen to encourage the pupils to develop positive habits of working at home to support their learning. Furthermore, homework provides the children with an opportunity to apply their understanding of new concepts independently. Homework will be given each week through the blog you will receive through Class Dojo. It will include key termly dates, an update of their learning and their homework activities. These will be discussed in class and there will be time for the children to share how they have got on. This will be sent out every Monday.

**TT Rockstars:** All children will have their own individual log in to this website. TT Rockstars has a focus on

supporting children in developing their confidence in times table recall.

### An example timetable for our week

This is obviously subject to change, but here is an overview of what a typical week of learning in Year 5 might look like.

Class Timetable - Year 5

Day	9-9.15	9.15- 9.35	9.35- 10.40	10.40- 10.55	10.55- 12.00	12.00-1.00	1.00-2.00	2.00-2.20	2.20-2.30	2.30-3.30
Monday	SPAG Miss Powell	Reading Miss Powell	Writing Miss Powell	Break	Maths Miss Powell	Lunch	Curriculum Hannah	Class worship	Break	PE Swift
Tuesday	SPAG Miss Powell	Reading Miss Powell	Writing Miss Powell	Break	Maths Miss Powell	Lunch	RE Miss Powell	Church	Break	Science Miss Powell
Wednesday	SPAG Miss Powell	Reading Miss Powell	Writing Miss Powell	Break	Maths Miss Powell	Lunch	Curriculum Miss Powell	Whole school	Break	Art/DT Miss Powell
Thursday	SPAG Miss Powell	Reading Miss Powell	Writing Miss Powell	Break	Maths Miss Powell	Lunch	PE Miss Powell/ Mrs Butcher	Singing	Break	French Miss Powell/Mrs Butcher
Friday	SPAG Miss Powell	Reading Miss Powell	Writing Miss Powell	Break	Maths Miss Powell	Lunch	Music Miss Powell	ICA	Break	PSHE Miss Powell

\*Every other Thursday children will be taught by Mrs Butcher.

\*Every Monday children will be taught by Hannah and a Swift Sports Coach.

### A few reminders / requests:

We would ask that you update the office with any medical needs your child may have. We need to be aware of any allergies or change in medical condition.

If your child requires an inhaler, please make sure that an up-to-date inhaler (labelled with your child's name) is sent into school as soon as possible. There is a form available in the office for you to complete should you need to update us with anything medical.

Equally, please ensure emergency contact details are up to date, should we need to contact you.

To help celebrate all your child's achievements, please feel free to let us know of any special achievements they might gain in any after school activities so we can celebrate them in school.

If there is anything else you would like to discuss, please feel free to make contact through Class Dojo. Alternatively, we can discuss anything with you over the telephone; please call the school office to make an appointment or contact me via Class Dojo. I aim to check Class Dojo between 8am-4:30pm Monday to Friday. Please be aware I may not be able to response outside of this time.