

Friday, 20th September 2024

Year 5 Information Letter

Dear Parents/Carers of children in Year 5, welcome.

We are very much looking forward to teaching your child this year and would like to give some key information that will be of use to you.

This year's classes are:

Olive: Miss Thomas

Willow: Miss Edwards

Teaching assistants: Mrs Page, Mrs Kemp and Mrs Tizzard

PPA Cover on Mondays: Mrs Oliver for Willow and Mrs Motton for Olive.

Dojo:

We will endeavour to keep you informed throughout the year through the Class Dojo. However, for urgent issues or for attendance / absence notifications, please contact the school through the office email office@sandfordprimary.dorset.sch.uk. If you are unable to communicate with the class teacher at the door, you can contact them directly at olive@sandfordprimary.dorset.sch.uk or willow@sandfordprimary.dorset.sch.uk please note, these are checked 2/3 times per week so should not be used for urgent matters.

PE Days:

PE Days for Year 5 are **Mondays and Fridays**. Children should come dressed in their correct PE kit on these days. The school PE uniform consists of the following:

- White, school logo t-shirt or plain white round neck t-shirt.
- Black shorts, tracksuit trousers or leggings.
- Trainers
- Black sweatshirt or school jumper.
- No logos/brands/football tops or bright colours.
- Please make sure all uniform is clearly labelled.

Curriculum:

As well as daily Maths and English lessons, children will encounter a broad and balanced curriculum. Throughout the year we will be learning about a range of different religions including the Christian, Jewish and Muslim faiths. We will also explore space, forces, mountains, Roman Britain, Anglo Saxons, Vikings and much much more!

Homework:

Children will be set weekly homework **every Wednesday, to be checked and celebrated the following Monday**. This will consist of:

1, Home Reading:

It is great for children to read every day and we would love to see what they are reading by recording these reads on **BOOM READER**. A minimum of **3 reads** per week is requested to be entered into our weekly reading raffle.

2, Maths:

There will be one page of arithmetic questions which is a recap of things they have learnt so far throughout their maths journey. There should be no new learning however, if there are any questions that your child is finding tricky, please leave them blank so we know what to focus on in school. Times Tables Rock Stars (**TTRS**) can be used as extra maths practice.

3, Spellings:

Every week, we focus on one spelling pattern so the children will be asked to practice these at home while also concentrating on their handwriting. **Spelling Shed** can also be used as a fun way to practice these spelling patterns as well as the Year 5 spelling words.

Meet the Teacher:

We are offering an informal drop-in session on **Tuesday 24th September from 3:20pm – 4:00pm**. This is an opportunity to say hello, share any information about your child / family that you need us to know and to ask us any questions. There is no need to make an appointment, simply turn up within the time window.

We hope your child has enjoyed their first week of school and is looking forward to the events in the upcoming year.

Warm regards,

Miss Thomas, Miss Edwards and the Year 5 team

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