

September 2020

Dear Families

**Re: General information for Year 5**

We are really excited to welcome you back to school after such a long period away. We hope you managed to enjoy your summer break. Below, we have included some key information for the term.

- **P.E:** This term, PE will take place on Tuesdays and Thursdays and children will be required to attend school in their PE kits on these days. In order to ensure good respiratory hygiene, our PE lessons will take place outside. Therefore, we would really appreciate it if children can be provided with suitable clothing for the colder weather. This term, the children will be developing their athletic skills and their ball handling skills.
- **Reading:** Children will be given a book band book every Monday, which they will be able to take to and from school along with their reading record. Please ensure these are brought back into school every day. These books will then be collected on a Friday so that they can be quarantined over the weekend. In addition to a book band book, all children have access to 'Bug Club', which is an online platform when they can read a range of suitable books. An explanation of how to log in can be found below. We recommend that children read aloud 4 times a week to an adult so that they can have support with decoding unfamiliar words and discuss their understanding of the story.
- **Homework will include:**
- **Reading:** Children are expected to read at least 4 times per week. Please fill out your child's reading record.
- **Homework menu:** Children can choose from a range of different activities which will be linked to our topic. These will be sent out with your topic web.
- **Bug Club:** <https://www.activelearnprimary.co.uk/login?c=0> Usernames are the first 4 letters of your child's first name followed by the first 4 letters of their surname: e.g. Sophie Smith - sophsmi The password for all children is: Year52020 (passwords are case sensitive) The school code is: 36jk
- **Times tables practice:** Children are expected to practice their times tables 4 times a week to help develop their fluency and mental recall.

**Important dates:**

Parents' Evening 3:30 – 6pm Monday 19 October

Parents' Evening 4:00 – 7pm Tuesday 20 October

Thursday 22 October and Friday 23 October INSET days.

If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact a member of the Year 5 team.

Thank you for your continued support.

The Year 5 Team

**Work Hard, Be Kind!**

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