Welcome to Year 5!

A really warm welcome back to Avenue Junior School! After a restful summer, it is lovely to be back working with the children and getting to know the pupils.

In these first few days, we have been blown away by the children's positive attitude to learning and how quickly they have settled into life as a Year 5.

We are aware that the classes have changed and therefore will be including a number of classbased activities that are social, so they get to know their (potentially) new classmates.

This newsletter is to help bring you up to speed with some of the things going on at school at the start of the new year. Please do also keep an eye on ClassDojo as this is our primary means of communication.

Meet the Year 5 Team:

We have a fantastic team of adults in Year 5! Please feel free to chat to us afterschool or send us a message on ClassDojo.

5BRB - Miss Bacon and Rose-Brown

5C - Miss Carver

5G - Miss Gray

5U – Mr Upson (year-group leader)

We have a great team of support staff that will spend time working with pupils in classrooms and helping pupils to make further progress. This includes Miss Halliday, Miss Smith, Mrs Norry, Mrs Shaw and Miss Goodson.

PE Days

5BRB – Monday and Friday.

5C – Tuesday and Thursday.

5G – Tuesday and Friday.

5U – Monday and Tuesday.

Children are expected to wear:

- A plain white/blue/black top (polo or t-shirt)
- Black shorts or leggings or jogging bottoms
- Trainers that provide your child with good stability.

Children should come to school on P.E. days dressed in their kit. On cooler days, children can of course wear a jumper. This can be a school jumper or a plain blue, black or grey top.

Water Bottles and Snack

Please ensure that all children have a named water bottle in school. Most children will also bring in a healthy snack for morning break. (No nuts or kiwi).

Reading at Home

Whilst we do not set any formal homework at Avenue Junior School, we do ask that you spend 10-20 minutes each day reading with your child. The benefits of this are wide-ranging in helping their vocabulary and knowledge of the world.

It would be great to hear from you what books your child likes and if you need more books at home, please speak to us and we can support you. There will be time in the classroom for pupils to read independently and with adults, as well as focused whole-class reading lessons too.

Curriculum Map

A curriculum map will be sent out via email and Class Dojo and is also available on the school website. The curriculum map provides you with a brief overview of our learning for this half term. If you can support any of our topics in anyway at all, please chat to your child's teacher.