

# Welcome to Year 5!

## Autumn 1:

The first half term flew by, and it has been a very positive start to the school year. They have settled into their new classes well and it has been lovely to see the whole year group's cooperation skills develop, with new friendships forming in their classes.

Our lessons explored many geographical elements of the rainforests which will help their knowledge going into the second half term where our focus moves to the history of the Benin Kingdom.

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 Mr 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 – Thursday.

5G – Tuesday and Thursday.

5U – Monday and Wednesday.

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 snacks

Please ensure that all children have a named water bottle in school. Children can bring in a healthy snack for morning break (no nuts or kiwi).

## Learning at Home

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. If you need books at home, please speak to us and we can support you with finding books.

It is really important for pupils to continue practicing their times tables at home to build on their learning from last year. This will help them with new learning this year to link their understanding. This could be written, verbally or through playing TTTRS.

## 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.

