

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2025



*Unlocking Potential Together  
in Faith and Love.*

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to Year Five!

I am really looking forward to teaching Year 5 this year. I am excited to see how much the children have changed and developed since I taught them in Year 3. I am also looking forward to getting to know the children who have joined our school family in the last year.

In Year Five, we continue with **daily reading at home**. Your child should be reading for at least 10 minutes each day – please sign their planner to show they have been reading as this will help them to work towards gaining their reading key. Please encourage your child to record books they have read that are not from school (they can keep a log in the front of their planners).

**PE days** will be every Monday and Tuesday. Children need to come to school in their PE kit on their PE day to maximise the amount of time we spend doing PE. Children are not allowed to wear earrings or any other jewellery for PE. If your child can not remove their own earrings then they need to come to school on PE days without them in.

#### Other homework

**Spelling** – We will use Purple Mash to practise statutory age-related spellings and we will learn and practise spelling rules.

**Maths** – On Mondays, children will be given a sheet to complete at home during the week to be returned by Friday. Maths homework will not be given every week, but will be used to support basic skills and areas of the curriculum that need a bit more practice. Children will receive approximately four pieces of maths homework per half term.

**Termly project** – Each term, the children will be given a choice of projects to complete. They should complete some work on their project each week until the hand in date. They are expected to spend approximately one hour each week on their project.

**It is important that every child has pencil and paper at home to complete their homework properly. Showing maths working out is an important part of learning. As is making mistakes, getting it wrong and trying, trying and trying again! Please support your child to become a resilient and independent learner.**

#### Communication

We will continue to update the school website with our class news. Please remember to check it regularly to keep in touch with what is happening in school.

As we try to be a paperless school, please ensure that the office have your up to date email address and that you have access to Arbor.

**There is an important 'Meet the Teacher' and Online Safety Meeting for parents of children in Year 5 on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> September at 5.00pm or Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> September at 3.30pm in Year 5 classroom. It is crucial you attend as recent changes about how we keep our children safe online may prevent your child accessing the internet in school unless the meeting is attended.**

Finally, we value good communication with parents so please don't hesitate to get in touch if you have any questions or concerns about your child in school. Email is the best way to contact me – my email addresses is at the bottom of this letter.

Thank you for your support,

Mrs Lowe

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