Dear Year 5 Parents,

Welcome to the final term in Year 5! The academic year is fast disappearing, but we still have lots to do. This term looks as busy as any and we hope that the children manage a whole term without Lockdown (which would be novel)!

Details of the curriculum we will cover this term are attached to this letter and are also available on our website.

For the children to achieve expected progress at the end of Year 5, they should be able to spell all the Year3/4 words and almost half of the Year 5/6 words, so could you please help them to learn these at home. Spellings will be set on Showbie each week and the children will be tested on a Wednesday in school.

It is also important that the children have a secure knowledge of their times tables. We will be practising these daily in class but please help them in this area at home if they are struggling.

We expect the children to read at home daily and to record this, themselves in their Reading Record. Please could your child bring this in the week before May half-term holidays for us to check. Reading, whether fiction or non-fiction, helps tremendously with their work and general progress in the classroom. We are happy for free readers to bring in reading material from home including comics and magazines that they are interested in.

The children will, at times, be given guided reading homework.

P.E. lessons this term will include athletics and orienteering so please ensure that your child **always** has both an indoor and outdoor P.E. kit in school.

You will receive an individual report on your child’s progress in July. Please do not hesitate to contact us before this if you feel it would be helpful.

Yours sincerely

Mrs S Dowson and Mrs J Redmayne