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Dear Year 5 Parents,

We would like to welcome your son or daughter into Year 5. We hope that he or she will enjoy the year, work hard to develop knowledge and skills, and make the most of the numerous activities available, both in the classroom and in the wider school. Year 5 will be taught by Miss Huddleston on Mondays and Tuesday afternoons and Mrs Dowson will then teach the class for the remainder of the week. Mrs Ventress will cover Miss Huddleston's management time on a Tuesday morning.

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

Year 5 will be monitoring and developing their fitness through circuits and aerobic activities on a Monday. Half of the children will be swimming with Year 6 at Lancaster University on a Thursday morning while the other half will be doing gymnastics. They will then swap over after half term. On a Friday all of the class will be developing their hockey skills. Please ensure that both outdoor and indoor P.E. kits are in school at all times. There are occasions when we hope to take advantage of good weather!

We expect the children to read at home on a daily basis and to record this, themselves in their reading record. 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. Whatever they read should be challenging for the individual child and help them to widen their vocabulary.

At home your child should continue to practise times tables as a good working knowledge will help them immensely with the maths curriculum. The children will, at times, be given guided reading homework. They will also have a spelling list to work on at home throughout the term.

Throughout the year the pupils will be encouraged to do their best in every aspect of school life. They will be expected to take increasing responsibility for their own actions both in the classroom and out in the playground. Early in the term, they will be given a Reception child to support in school, and being a "buddy" is usually one of the highlights of being in Year 5!

There will be a Parents' Evening during this term when you can discuss your child's progress but please do not hesitate to contact us before this if you feel it would be helpful. We are looking forward to teaching Year 5 and we hope it will prove a most successful year with every individual making good progress academically, physically and socially.

Yours sincerely,

Miss S Huddleston and Mrs S Dowson









