



Year 5 / 6 Autumn Routines



Communication

All letters will be sent through MCAS. Class Dojo will no longer be used for any communication. Please either email, ring or call into the school office to let them know about absence, appointments, changes to school pick up or any other information we need to know. For your child's safety, please can you make sure that you inform the class teacher (at the door in the morning) or contact the school office if your child is being collected by someone other than yourselves.

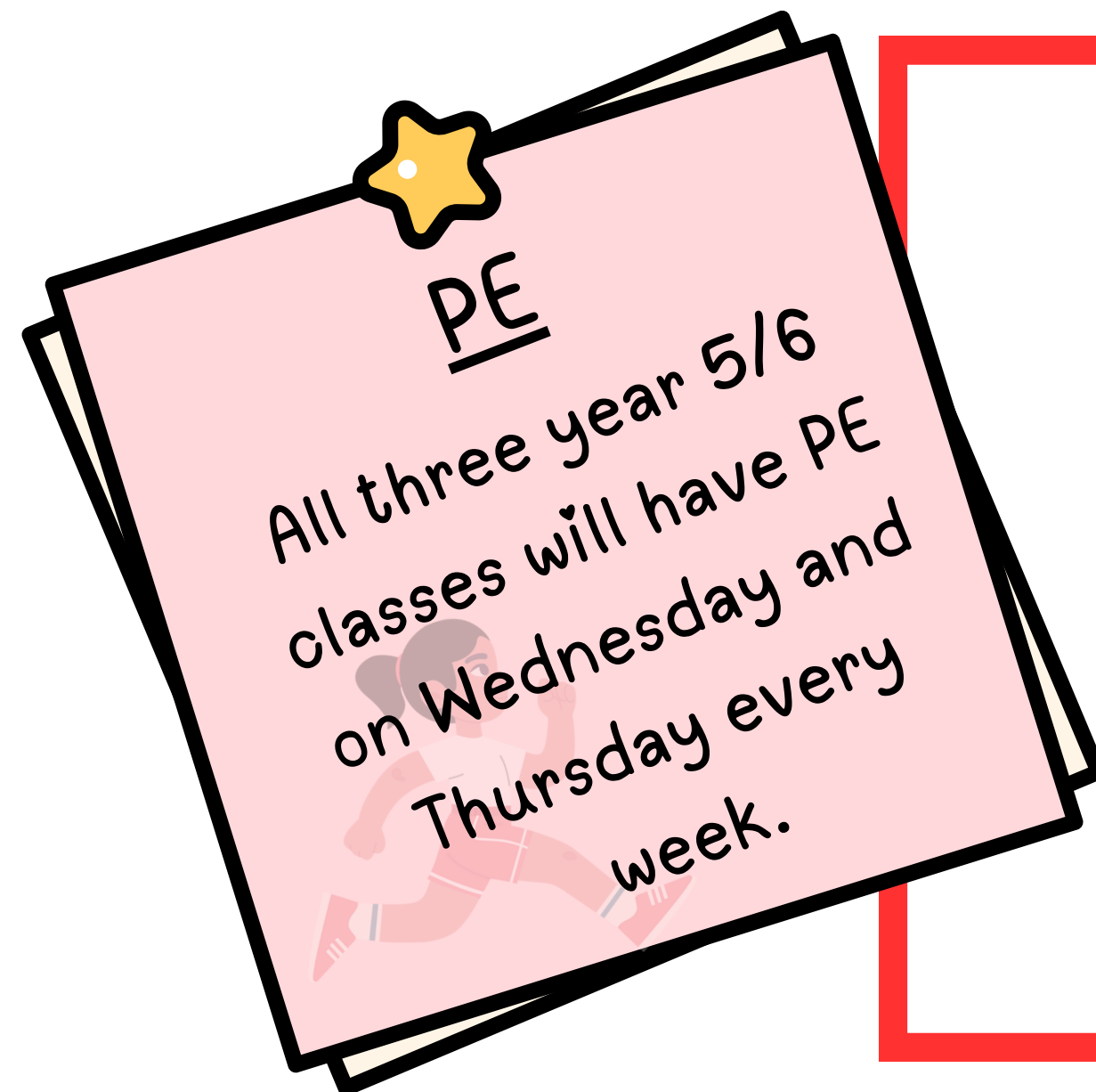
Learning this Term

This term our new topic is World War 2. In the first half term, we will be learning about why the war occurred and how it impacted on life in Britain. In Science, we will be learning about materials and their properties. After the half-term holiday, we will be examining how WW2 affected the wider world and in science we will be studying light.

Home Learning

All children in Y5/6 have 10 minute homework books; 3 for Y6 (Reading, Maths and SPaG) and 3 for Y5 (Maths, English and Spelling/Vocabulary). Each week they will be expected to complete the set of tasks and return their books to school so we can mark work and go through the answers together: Y6 on Tuesdays, Y5 on Fridays.

TOP TIP: Don't wait until the night before to do all 3 books, instead try doing them on separate days. There may be some challenging questions but don't worry it's best to have a go (and make a mistake) than to not try at all!



Reading at Home

It is most important that your child continues to read a combination of fiction and non-fiction on a regular basis at home, ideally about 20-25 minutes a day (we suggest just before bedtime). This forms an important part of their homework and will significantly impact on their progress in all subject areas. If a child completes three reads within a week, they will receive a bonus 3 Dojo points.

KS2 children will continue to use their reading record, which will accompany their reading book. Your child's reading book will alternate between a scheme book and a book of their choice. Please ensure your child dates and their reading record and writes a comment about what they have read. These reading records will be checked regularly by the class teacher. In addition to just being a record of reading, the booklets also contain spelling, punctuation and grammar information to help your child with homework and revision.

Before and After School

The gates will be open from 08:55. Any children who ride to school on a bike or scooter must dismount on entering the gates and walk them down the path to the bike shed. No bikes or scooters should be ridden within the school grounds. For health and safety reasons, the field, trim trail and tyres are out of bounds before and after school and ball games are not allowed at this time.