



Welcome to Year 5

Dear Parents/Carers,

We are really looking forward to an exciting and productive year. We have lots of fun-filled, fascinating learning ahead and cannot wait to get started! Below is important information about the forthcoming year.

P.E

P.E., will be taught on a Wednesday morning for both 5H and 5D. Children will need to come to school in their kit ready for their lesson in the morning. Please ensure a full and correct uniform is then brought into school for them to get change into afterwards. If children do not have the correct uniform then this will be provided e.g. no school shoes – pumps will be given. Girls will need to remember to wear socks – not tights – for P.E. Earrings and watches need to be removed. Children **must** remove their own earrings.

Bags

At the beginning of Year 5, your child will be given a clear book bag to keep their reading book and records in. Please remind your child not to put their water bottle in these as they are likely to break if they do. The plastic book bags are only suitable for reading records and books.

If your child requires another bag they can choose whether to bring a book bag, draw string bag or another small bag.

Keyrings, toys, games, hand gels and lip gloss keyrings are not permitted and we will ask that they are removed.

If your child is having a packed lunch, then a lunch box can be brought into school and stored in our lunch box tubs which are stored in the corridor outside your child's learning room.

Stationery

We will provide stationery to your child to ensure they have everything they need for lessons. Therefore, your child will not need to bring in any additional equipment or pencil cases.

Swimming

This year, swimming will be taught in the Summer term in the 'pop-up pool' taught by swimming instructors and assisted by life guards. More information relating to swimming will be shared closer to the children starting their swimming lessons.

Home Learning

Home learning will be given out every Thursday and should be returned on Tuesday. Home learning will range from activities set in CGP books, paper tasks, activities on Google Classroom and Spelling Shed. We will expect to see these completed every week. We will mark the Maths Home Learning in a Maths lesson.

We are hoping to have ClassDojo up and running very soon and will let you know as soon as it is ready to launch. This will be a great way for you to stay up to date with school events, important information, and our weekly updates from Year 5.

We will also be sending home weekly challenges through our new Spelling platform- Spelling Shed. More information on this will follow.

Reading

A home-reader will be sent home with your child every day in a clear reading bag that will be provided. It is expected that your child is heard read every day, in order for them to develop their fluency, understanding and comprehension. Hearing your child read and asking them questions about their reading for a few minutes every day will help them to become good readers – an important life skill.

Please do not hesitate to speak to a member of the Year 5 team with any questions you have either on the door or by emailing us at year5@woodlands.walsall.sch.uk

Thank you for your support and co-operation.

Yours faithfully,

The Year 5 Team

Mrs Day, Mr Hand and Mrs Clift

