# Primary 5/6 Newsletter August to October 2025

Welcome to Primary 5/6! Please read our newsletter to find out what we are going to be learning in P5/6 this term. If you have any concerns or questions, please get in touch.

Miss Mallaby & Mr Ross

#### Communication

We have set up a class Teams page which will be the main communication tool used with the class throughout the year. Pupils should be familiar with how to use Teams. It is vital that they log in to Teams regularly at home as this is where we post all information on homework and this is where we will post any notifications which the children need to be aware of. Please help your child to check they can access the P5/6 Teams page at home.

Miss Mallaby can be contacted on a Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday and Mr Ross on a Tuesday.

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# P5/6 Expectations

Our main expectation is that your child is happy in the class and always tries their best. If there are any issues it is important that you make us aware of these.

Your child should come to school each day ready to learn.

- they will need a full water bottle
- indoor shoes
- PE kit- pupils should come to school in their P.E. kits on a Monday and a Thursday. Pupils will get changed into uniform after PE on these days.
- a waterproof jacket

#### **Lunches**

Please order school lunches in advance using

the following link. Your child should know what has been ordered for them each day.

We would also like you to mark on if your child is having a packed lunch as this saves us time in the morning double-checking that everyone has something to eat!

Order School Lunches Here

## Wider Achievements

We are always keen to hear about your child's wider achievements outside of school. Please encourage them to share these with us and bring in any evidence of these which we could use in their Wider Achievement record. A template can be found on our Teams page for your child to create a wider achievement certificate at home, this can be printed in school and presented at assembly.

# **Key Dates**

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September - Open Afternoon 2:15 - 2:45pm - The theme for the open afternoon will be Zones of Regulation which we have been learning about at the start of this term.

Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> & Thursday 9<sup>Th</sup> October - PPT Talk Time

## Literacy

In writing, we are going to be developing our note-taking skills and using our notes to help us write. This term we are going to be doing Accelerated Reading in class. Pupils will have time during class to read the books they have chosen, and they will bring these books home to enjoy at home. When they finish a book, they will sit their test in the classroom before choosing a new book. We will also be reading a novel together in class and completing activities about the book.

Pupils will also be carrying-out spelling activities in class linked to the words they are given for spelling homework.



#### IDL

Our IDL topic this term has been chosen by the pupils. P5/6 discussed a range of topics and voted for their favourite. The topic P5/6 has chosen to focus on this term is Natural Disasters. We have already had some great ideas and questions to investigate!



## Maths and Numeracy

This term we are going to be starting our numeracy focus with estimating and rounding. Later in the term we will move on to sequencing numbers and place value.

There will be a focus on exploring 2D shapes this term as well. Pupils will be learning about the properties of 2D shapes and learning new vocabulary such as radius, diameter and circumference.

P5/6 will also be working to develop their mental maths skills. We will be discussing strategies, taking part in mental agility activities and completing tasks on Sumdog.

# Health and Wellbeing (H&WB)



PE will be every **Monday** with Mr Sharp and **Thursday** with Mr Ross.

On these days, all pupils should come to school in their PE kit and must bring their uniform in their bags to change into afterwards.

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PE kits should be a full change of clothes - t-shirt and bottoms.

Our SHANARRI focus for this term is RESPECTED. We will be exploring how we value and respect ourselves and others.

# **Homework**

Homework will be issued electronically on our class Teams page, once this begins.

- Spelling new spelling lists will be issued on a Tuesday. These words should be practised at home using suggested activities and children will complete a spelling test in class on a Monday.
- Numeracy/Maths Numeracy/Maths homework will be set fortnightly. This will alternate between Sumdog and a written task.
- Reading your child may bring home an Accelerated Reader book home or a text they are familiar with. Pages will not be set but children should aim to read for about 10 minutes each night.

Homework will begin week commencing 8th of September.

Again, if here are any concerns or issues then please get in touch.

