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Dear Parents and Carers

I hope that you had a restful summer break and that you and your child are ready for the busy term ahead. I thought that you might appreciate some information on what is happening in P5 between now and the end of term.

PE Days



Our P.E. days are:

Monday and Friday.

Children should have suitable kit (shorts, indoor shoes, t-shirt) each session and remove all jewellery before school on those days. If children cannot remove earrings they should ensure they are covered with plasters or micropore for example. Long hair should be tied back - both girls and boys. On non PE days, when it is suitable, P5 will participate in the daily mile.

Homework

Spelling homework will be issued on a Monday and should be returned, completed and signed by an adult on Thursday. The children will write out their spelling words three times as well as having an activity to complete. Times tables should be practised regularly.

Please don't hesitate to let us know if there are any problems with your child completing homework by putting a short note in their jotter.

<u>Maths</u>

Your child will initially revise and consolidate numeracy and maths skills. Addition and subtraction will be taught this term and children are expected to take responsibility for practising these regularly. Arithmetic skills will continue to be practised on a regular basis. Areas which will also be introduced and developed will include money, area and rounding.

Language

We will be developing personal writing skills by learning about autobiographies. Reading is a major focus across the entire school and your child will participate regularly in ERIC time (Everyone Reading In Class) and a class novel read by the teacher. We will be developing close reading skills by reading for information in topics and other curricular areas. Children will participate in daily active spelling activities to support homework.

Other Areas

This session our topic will be Harry Potter and Spain. Our class will plan our learning and we are already looking forward to learning about the geography, history and culture of Spain.

We will also be learning about static electricity and creating simple circuits. In Health & Wellbeing we will continue to follow the PATHS programme. Look out for your child's Compliment List!

How You Can Help At Home

Remember to encourage working toward Gold/Platinum on the pledge every day.

Encourage your child to be responsible for ensuring they have homework completed on time and bring the required equipment with them every day such as PE kit (articles named), pencils, rubber and ruler.

Please write names on all items of removable clothing and make sure your child knows where to look for their name.

I hope that you have found this newsletter useful and thank you for your support. If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact me through the school office.

Kind regards,

Mr Milne

P5 Class Teacher