



St. Michael In The Hamlet
Community Primary School

Year 5 Autumn Newsletter

Welcome to the Junior Department. The Year 5 team consists of Mrs Amal, Miss Lett and Miss Fortune. We all work very closely as a class team and all of us can be approached if you require any support. The Year 5 team have loved welcoming the children into our classes and we know that we have a very successful year ahead of us!

The Year 5 classes come into the Junior Building between 8:45 and 8:55 am, through the blue metal doors on the right side of the building. They are dismissed from besides the curved wall outside those same doors at 3:15 pm. Please could adults wait by the straight wall opposite the curved wall. Children will not be allowed to go until we see an adult for them to go to, please be patient as we learn to recognise families! Children in Year 5 are permitted to walk home, so long as school has received a written, signed letter to confirm this from a parent/guardian.

Children that will be bringing a packed lunch can place these on the packed lunch trolley located at the top of the Year 5 stairwell. If your child is having a school dinner, please pay via ParentPay. If you need help to set up a ParentPay account, please ask at the office for help. Each child should also bring a water bottle to use in school. Each child has a locker to keep their coat in and other belongings. Please make sure that everything is labelled with your child's name and class.

We use a sign in system each morning using the Zones of Regulation. This means we are aware of any children who are feeling sad, worried or angry, or who would like a chance to chat with an adult. If you, as a parent, have a concern then please contact the school office or catch a member of the Year 5 team in the morning.

Times Tables

To support the maths curriculum, all children are encouraged to continue learning and practising their times tables up to 12 x 12. Regular practice is the best way to make times tables stick, so having them up around the house, listening to times tables songs and regularly using **Times Tables Rockstars** will help!

Spellings

Spellings are set on a Thursday in Year 5 and tested the following Tuesday. We will be using the Superhero Spelling scheme to enable children to learn spelling rules and concepts. Children will come home on a Thursday with their spellings to learn throughout the week. These will also be posted on class dojo for you to refer to.

Homework

Homework will be sent home every Thursday and will include weekly spellings to practise, along with one piece of Maths and one piece of English work. This is designed to reinforce key learning from the week and support your child's progress. Completed homework should be returned by the following Tuesday. Thank you for your continued support in helping your child develop good learning habits.

PE

PE will be held on a Wednesday with the class teacher. Please can children attend school on Monday in full PE kits: **white** top, **dark** shorts/jogging bottoms/leggings, **school** jumper, cardigan or hoodie and trainers.

The Year 5 curriculum is interesting, fun and knowledge rich. We hope you enjoy learning it just as much as we do teaching it. If you have any resources or expertise that you would like to contribute to enhance learning, please get in touch. Thank you for all your support, we look forward to working in partnership with you.

Class website

Our Year 5 class website is updated on a regular basis to showcase the wonderful learning that takes place as well as topic webs and other useful information.

**Thank you for all your support,
Year 5 team**



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