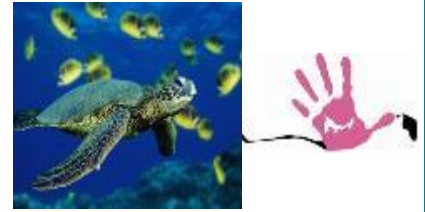


Spring Term Newsletter

Year 5

A very warm welcome back to you all after our lovely, long Christmas break and a Happy New Year! I would like to thank you for the thoughtful cards and gifts you gave to me at Christmas – they were very unexpected and much appreciated! I hope you all had a chance to have a well-deserved rest and see in the New Year in comfort and are looking forward to a fresh start to a brand new year and the start of a new term.



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We will continue to be lucky enough to benefit from several teachers in addition to myself: Mrs. Yorke will be teaching amazing Art and Design and Design and Technology and Spanish and Mrs. Niki will be teaching Music, Theatre Arts. In P.E the team of myself, Miss Mani, Mrs. Emma and Mr. Jason will be working on fitness and athletics.

During last term homework was once weekly. I was extremely impressed with how most of the children coped, but as we begin in Year 5 to move closer towards the end of primary school it is important the children learnt the vital skill of organising their time independently and completing a wider range of work. So homework will be increased to twice weekly this term as follows:

- Monday for Wednesday-Reading Journal and Maths
- Wednesday for Friday – Reading Journal and Maths

as well as spelling and Science once a week with occasional topic projects set too.

Finally, a quick reminder of some general information:

- *PE days are Tuesdays and Thursdays, so your child should come to school wearing their PE kit but should also bring their uniform with them to change into afterwards. Please remember that if your child is late to school, they must be either dropped at the P.E site or left at the office.*
- *A water bottle is essential – school is not able to provide water bottles.*
- *Hats are essential for outdoor activities.*
- *No jewellery should be worn (except watches and stud ear-rings)*
- *Snacks should be healthy – preferably fruit.*



This term we will be doing lots of exciting things as well as working super hard. Spring term is always busy with a big push on our Topic Education week focus (which this year is Science) and many more activities along the way to look forward to. In year 5 this term we will be focusing on the exciting topic of 'Space and Segregation'. For detailed information on the Curriculum areas we will be covering in Year 5 this term please refer to our 'Space and Segregation' topic map, and the Year 5 Parent Information Booklet – available online.

I would once again repeat that if you, or anyone you know of, in the community would like to share their special skills/expertise in a relevant area with the children I would love to hear from you! Please, if you have any questions, problems, ideas or issues to discuss (however big or small), feel free to come and speak to me before or after school. I look forward to another successful term, challenging your children to reach their fullest potential!

Warm Regards, Miss Cara