



September 2016

Dear Parents, Carers,

Welcome back to a new year at school and into year 5 for your child. I am really looking forward to this year and seeing how all the children grow and progress.

Throughout year 5, it is very important for the children to become prepared for what year 6 will bring, therefore there are certain expectations be introduced throughout the year.

Throughout the year children will be expected to:

- Come into school equipped with all necessary items; a bottle of water, pen, pencil, ruler, rubber, P.E. kit (Wednesday and Friday), homework (due in on Thursdays unless stated).
- Complete homework to their best standard and hand in on time - Children will be set up to 1 hour's worth of both English and Maths homework weekly. English homework may be linked to topic work when necessary or may be set in project format. There will be a homework club one lunch time in school which the children can attend for support if needed.
- Practice spellings - Children will be set up to 10 spellings a week to practise with a weekly test on a Friday where spellings will be put into sentences. These spellings will be from the year 5 and 6 curriculum list.

- Practise multiplication facts - All children will be given these to focus on and practice for a weekly test. These will be set for each child's individual abilities.
- Read at least three times a week - It is important for the children to show that they are reading a wide range of texts throughout the year. We have a class reading record that the children will complete in school to show when they have started and completed a book; I will be keeping an eye on the books that the children are reading throughout the year and they will be encouraged to read a range of genres.

If children remain focussed on these expectations throughout the year, they will be more than prepared for further years in school! However, along with these expectations we do plan to have fun and enjoy our time at school too!

Please do not hesitate to come in and speak with me if you have any further questions.

Miss Kedge 😊