



Welcome to Year 5/6

Teachers:

Mr Brennen

Mrs Russell

Mrs Sullivan

Miss Harvey

Mrs Todd / Mr Cranmer (Maths – Year 5)

PPA Cover: Mrs Cobbold, Mr Cranmer
and Mrs L Osborne

Support staff:

Mrs D Edwards

Mrs Larner

Ms Gorton

Miss Riley

Miss Knight



A Typical Day

- Arrival- 8.45 – Register/lunches
- Morning activity- spelling related. Wordshark or phonics
- Lessons- 9.15-10.30 Maths (after break on Friday)
- Break time 10:30-10:45
- Lessons- 10.45-12.30 English. Reading
- Lunch time- first in 12:30-13:30
- Afternoon lessons 13.30- 14.45
- Daily Mile on days when there isn't PE
- Collective Worship- daily from 14:45- 15:05
- Home time - 15:20



Day to Day Routines

- Water bottles are allowed on tables - water only please and non-spill lids
- Pencil cases are not required in school – they are optional
- Mobile phones – none on site – must be switched off and handed to staff on arrival where they will be kept in a tray throughout the day
- Walking home/end of the day- please inform your class teacher of any arrangements for this via the Microsoft form
- Healthy snack - fresh fruit or veg only please



Attendance

Arrival time: between 8.45am and 8.55am (gates open at 8.40am)

Pick up time is 3.20pm - children will be taken up to the office if you're running late so don't panic.

Punctuality: children will be given a late mark between 8.55am and 9.20am. After 9.20am they will be given a 'U' mark (unauthorised absence for the session).

Absences: please communicate daily with the school office giving clear reasons for absence (e.g. 'high temperature and earache', *not 'ill'*) *if you could do this on a daily basis it saves office time*

Leave of absence: need to complete a form and send in to office. New guidance in August 2024 means that term-time holidays are only approved in 'exceptional circumstances'.

Policy: on website



Uniform

Our approach to uniform is detailed on the [school website](#).

Let's go through some of this together now.

- School uniform
- PE kit
- Jewellery – no earrings for PE.
- Make-up, nails and hair
- Labelling school uniform- you won't believe how much we have unnamed
- School uniform provider- link on school web site



Curriculum Highlights

Autumn Term: DISCOVERY! A focus on the 'Shackleton' - a famous explorer who led three British expeditions to the Antarctic.

Spring term: The Home Front – WWII focus.

Summer term: Journeys – equality and tolerance. Here we will study 'Windrush'.



Reading in Year 5/6

We anticipate that children should still be reading for approximately 20 minutes a day at home.

Additionally we share a class text, this term it's Sky Song by Abi Elphinstone, and short extracts of a huge variety of text where we practise our retrieval, inference and deductive skills.



PE

Sycamore (Mr Brennen) – Tuesday and Wednesday

Maple (Miss Harvey) – Tuesday and Friday

Willow (Mrs Russell & Mrs Sullivan) –Tuesday and Friday



Home Learning

We are extremely grateful to FOSP for funding this year's CGP books for Maths and Grammar homework.

Pages will be given on a Tuesday and collected on a Monday. This will be set via Seesaw.



Things to Come

- Production (Summer term- no need to panic yet)
- Potential trips/days – local visits/visitors – Duxford in the Spring Term?
- SATs- Monday May 10th to Thursday 13th (no holidays please). More information will follow.



Communication

- Formal Parents' Evening in Autumn and Spring term (online booking system)
- Progress, attainment, effort and attendance reports at the end of Autumn and Spring terms (emailed to parents)
- End of year school report (emailed to parents)
- Parent Share in the Autumn and the Spring term: an hour after school to come into class with your child/ren to look through their work with them.
- Celebration Evening in the summer term: an extended evening session to come into class with you child/ren to look through their work with them; can also visit new class to meet new teachers.
- Additionally, children on the SEND register will have any one-plans / targets emailed out to them later in the term prior to any meetings.



Communication

- Seesaw-a platform for us to share information with you, and you can also message us. You should also receive weekly updates and homework pages via this platform
- Fortnightly newsletters on the school web site and Facebook site where we share news, upcoming events and dates.
- School website: policies, dates and other information about the school.
- Termly parent forums- all are welcome
- Our culture is to address matters fully and early so please feel confident to speak to staff about any concerns. We recommend you speak with the class teacher first, then team leader.
- *Please note, that staff are not able to respond to parent emails and messages outside of their normal working hours.*



How to Help at Home

Reading strategies – questions about the book, don't just focus on fluency as comprehension is key.

Homework support- some of the CGP activities are a little tricky, encourage your children to show their working out (in Maths) and explain their methods.

Times tables- keep practising them so they know them in the inverse

Fractions- there's a huge focus on this in Years 5 & 6 which is why times table recall/understanding is imperative

Descriptive Writing - short piece with editing – Pobble 365, Once Upon a Picture



Questions?



Thank you for
coming!

