

Dear Parents and carers,

Welcome to a new year of learning in Year 5! We are all looking forward to start working together.

Our start/end times:

- Year 5 will come through any gate at 8:30am (unless they have pre-booked breakfast club)
- Year 5 pupils will be collected at the classroom at **3:00pm** (those with permission can walk home by themselves)

Our Topic for this half term is **Ancient Rome**. We will be using our prior knowledge of the Romans to explore the Ancient civilisation which spanned over 1000 years.

Our learning:

- In Reading, our class texts will be *Wordless Picture Book* by *David Weisner*. We are going to be exposing the children to a range of reading domains this half term.
- In Writing, we will be completing a creative writing piece where we use show-not-tell language to describe settings. Also, we are going to produce a comparative piece of writing this half term.
- In Maths, we are beginning with a place value unit which places lots of emphasis on recapping previous years' learning.
- In Science (chemistry), we will be exploring the changes and reactions when we separate mixtures.
- In History, we will be investigating the Ancient Rome civilisation. We are learning about the rise and fall of one pf the world's largest empires.
- In P.E. we will be learning how to keep fit and also creating dance routines in groups.
- In R.E. we will be considering answers to the question Why do some people believe in God?

• In PSHE, we will start the year off by looking at Growth mindset and how we can be positive learners.

- In Computing, we are going to start off by looking at how we can be safe online.
- In MFL, we will be learning how to say basic greetings in Spanish.

Support at home:

- Children will still be provided with an accelerated reading book from school. We would appreciate if the children could read at home with an adult at least 2 times a week. This will help encourage the children to take quizzes and change reading books.
- Homework links can be found on the school website. We are looking for children to use TT Rockstars, Spelling Shed and MyOn.
- Attached to the letter is 3 knowledge organisers for our tpoics in school. Adults at home could help familiarise their children with the vocabulary before it is taught in the lesson.

<u>PE:</u>

- Maple and Rowan have P.E. on a <u>Monday</u>.
- Rowan have P.E. on a <u>Wednesday</u>.



• In accordance with our risk assessment, children can come to school wearing their P.E. kits to prevent the need to change in school.

If you require any additional information, please contact your child's class teacher or Mr Ravenscroft on Dojo, who will be happy to assist you.

Thank you for your continued support,

Yours sincerely,

The Year 5 Team