



Dear Parents/Carers,

We can't believe the summer holidays are over and we're back in school! The children have settled in well and are ready to learn. Let's make this next half term an amazing term for learning. This letter will tell you what your child will be learning about in class. Further information about their learning can be found on our school website.

Getting Ready to Come to School

Children will need to come to school every day:

- Wearing their school uniform
- With their bookbag and water bottle
- Ready to learn!

Our Learning:

English 	In Writing, we will be writing a narrative, focussing on characters and setting, and a comparative text, based on 'What's the difference?' by Emma Stack.
Reading 	In Reading, we will be focusing on the skills of retrieve, define and infer. We will be exploring a range of texts linked to our writing genres.
Maths 	This half term, we will be learning about place value, and addition and subtraction.
Science 	In Chemistry, our unit will be 'Separating Mixtures'. We will learn about reversible and irreversible changes, and how to separate different mixtures.
Geography 	In Geography, our unit will be 'Investigating World Trade'. We will learn about natural resources, imports and exports, and Fairtrade.
Art 	We will be focussing on illustration. We will be creating a comic strip, based on the work of Mel Tregonning and Marjane Satrapi.
Computing 	In Computing, we will be learning about how information is shared.
Music 	We will listen to and appreciate music, sing collectively, and improvise using instruments.
RE 	This half term, we will learn about how Hindu beliefs are expressed in artefacts and worship.
PSHE 	In PSHE, we will learn about growth mindset and how we use different mindsets.
PE 	In PE, we will be learning about attacking and defending in basketball.



Spanish



This half term, we will be learning to describe ourselves and others.

PE: Tuesday

Children should come to school in their PE kits on the day of their PE lesson.

- Please ensure that all parents/ carers have access to Dojo as this is an essential way to communicate. Let the class teacher know if you have any problems connecting.

Homework

- Please read with your child at least 3 times a week and record it on Learning with Parents. Please upload pictures and audios of your child reading. Not only does it give them pride in sharing, it also develops their fluency – a key skill in becoming an expert reader.
- Times tables should be practiced regularly on Times Table Rock Stars. Knowing the multiplication tables and being able to recall these facts quickly is a key skill that can be applied across multiple areas of the maths curriculum!

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

Thank you for your continued support,

Yours sincerely,

The Year 5 team