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Year 5 Welcome Letter

4th September 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

A very warm welcome back and a big welcome to the beginning of your Upper school journey. We hope you are all refreshed and ready to give your *all* to the new school year ahead. We have already been impressed by the children's smart appearance and enthusiasm.

Please find below a timetable to inform you when PE kit and outdoor kit is needed along with the homework expectations.

	5B	5S	5JS
Monday			
Tuesday			
Wednesday	Home Learning Due Indoor PE Kit	Home Learning Due Indoor PE Kit	Home Learning Due Indoor PE Kit
Thursday	Home Learning Set Outdoor PE Kit	Home Learning Set Outdoor PE Kit	Home Learning Set Outdoor PE Kit
Friday			

Some Key Dates for the Year:

Monday 19 th October	Parent Evening 3:40 - 6:30 - 1 appointment per child (No staff run clubs this week)
Wednesday 21 st October	Parent Evening 3:40 - 6:30 - 1 appointment per child
Thursday 5 th November	Year 5 class assembly 5B to parents (10:20 -10:45.) Please wait near the year 5/6 gate.

Monday 16th November	Year 5 Sea City Museum
Thursday 19th November	Year 5 class assembly 5S to parents (10:20 -10:45.) Please wait near the year 5/6 gate.
Thursday 3rd December	5JS class assembly to parents (10:20 - 10:45) Please wait near the year 5/6 gate.
Tuesday 8th December	Year 5 RE Day Southampton City Mission Visit (All day)
Thursday 7th January	Wonderdome visit at school
Friday 8th January	Bikeability – Session 1 (all bikes in school)
Monday 11 th - Thursday 14 th January	Bikeability – Sessions 2-5 for all classes
Monday 8th February	Parent communication: Parent Evening Consultations (3:30 - 6:30) - 1 appointment per child
Wednesday 10th February	Parent communication: Parent Evening Consultations (3:30 - 6:30) - 1 appointment per child
Thursday 18th March	Year 5 Showcase afternoon - (2.30-3.00pm). Please wait near the year 5/6 gate.
Thursday 22nd April	Year 5 in house portals to the past workshop Ancient Greek Dress up day
Thursday 6th May	Year 5 Community Tea (1:30-3:00) Grandparents invited.
Tuesday 22nd June	Year 5 Parent RSE Meeting 3:30 - 4:30(Adults only).
Friday 2nd July	Year 5 Summer Fayre for whole school.

Home learning:



The expectations on home learning have now changed across the school. We expect the children to read at least 4 times every week but the need for logging this reading is only once on their google classroom. When logging what they have done, make sure it is everything they have read in their 4 sessions over the week. There will be a reading task available each week for the children which is imperative to aid their learning journey through the school year. These outcomes will be shared in class during the week and answers will be discussed. As for maths and spelling, weekly tasks will be uploaded at the start of each term with dates as a guide for when they could be completed. We encourage your child to self-check before handing the work in, using checking sheets provided or a calculator. This will be marked by your class teacher termly.

Please encourage your child to upload their work independently as it will improve their computing skills and as always, please approach the class teacher at the end of the day if there are any technical issues.

This term, we begin our learning with the topic *Where in the world?* We shall have a geography focus on natural hazards and finish the second half of the term with the fateful voyage of the Titanic which includes a dress up day and plenty of cross-curricular learning.

PE/Games Kit:

Please ensure your child has the correct PE kit with non – logo shorts and the appropriate house colour t-shirt. We appreciate the need for a sweatshirt or hoodie as the weather becomes colder, we would ask these are also non- logoed.

As they mature and grow, we would encourage all children to take home their kit each Friday for washing and return it in the Monday; this is a good habit - preparing them for life at secondary school – it also instils good hygiene and presentation.

Earrings: We ask that all earrings are removed for physical activities – may we suggest your child does not wear earrings on PE and Games days.

As always, we shall bring the children out at the end of the day – should you wish to speak with us, this is an ideal time. Please feel free to book a more formal appointment via the school office.

Mr Sansome, Miss Schofield and I are looking forward to working together with you, to give your children a great Year 5 experience. There is plenty of extra opportunities for your child to look forward the year are going to be Titanic Day, our curriculum showcase, the Greek workshop coming to school, the Wonderdome visiting and the Community Tea event for grandparents!

Yours faithfully,

Mr S Balcombe and the Year 5 team.

(Year 5 Leader)