



North Baddesley Junior School

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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 and know this will continue.

Please find below a timetable informing you when PE kit is needed along with the homework expectations.

	5B	5S	5P
Monday			
Tuesday			
Wednesday	Home Learning due in. Indoor PE Kit.	Home Learning due in. Indoor PE Kit.	Home Learning due in. Indoor PE Kit.
Thursday	Home Learning set. Outdoor PE Kit	Home Learning set.	Home Learning set. Outdoor PE Kit
Friday		Outdoor PE Kit	

Some Key Dates for the Year:

Wednesday 17 th September	Parental Communication Evening Session 1: 3:30PM – 4PM Session 2: 4PM – 4:30PM
Tuesday 14 th October	Parent communication: Parent Evening Consultations (3:30 - 6:30)
Thursday 16 th October	Parent communication: Parent Evening Consultations (3:30 - 6:30)
Tuesday 11 th November	5B Class Assembly (10:20 – 10:45)
Monday 24 th November	Showcase Afternoon (2:30 – 3:00)
Tuesday 25 th November	5S Class Assembly (10:20 – 10:45)
Thursday 27 th November	Year 5 Titanic Day (Dress Up)
Tuesday 2 nd December	5P Class Assembly (10:20 – 10:45)
Friday 23 rd January	Bikeability – Session 1 (all bikes in school)
Monday 26 th January – Thursday 29 th January	Bikeability – Sessions 2-5 for all classes
Tuesday 10 th February	Parent communication: Parent Evening Consultations (3:30 – 6:30)
Thursday 12 th February	Parent communication: Parent Evening Consultations (3:30 - 6:30)
Thursday 23 rd April	Portals to the Past workshop (approximate costing: £7)
Thursday 7 th May	Year 5 Community Tea (1:30-3:00)
Tuesday 30 th June	Year 5 RSE Parent Meeting (3:30 - 4:30)

Home learning:



In Year 5, we expect the children to read at least 4 times every week but they only need to log this once on their Google Classroom. When logging what they have done, please make sure this reflects everything they have read in their 4 sessions over the week. Each week on Google Classroom there will be a reading and Maths task available. Completing this is important, as this will aid their learning journey through the school year. For spelling, we will set different spellings weekly. These spellings will be uploaded on the same document each week. We ask that children complete one section per week. All home learning will be linked to what children have learnt during

the previous school weeks. These outcomes will be shared in class during the week and answers will be discussed. 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.

Trainers can be kept in their locker to change for the daily active mile each lunchtime. 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.

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.

Miss Perkins, Miss Schofield and I are looking forward to working together with you to ensure your children have a great Year 5 experience. This year, there will be plenty of extra opportunities for your child to look forward to including Titanic Day, our curriculum showcase, the Greek workshop coming to school and our amazing Community Tea event for grandparents!

Yours faithfully,
Mr S Balcombe and the Year 5 team.
(Year 5 Leader)