



Welcome to Owl Class

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Welcome back to a new school year in Owl Class. We hope you are all well rested and energised for the year ahead. I have added the key bits of information for Year 5 in this letter, and we will also be having a welcome meeting in a couple of weeks' time – I hope you will be able to attend.

Adults in the Year 5 classroom

I will be teaching Year 5 with Mrs Lucas, our Teaching Assistant. Mrs Ekoku will be teaching the class during my planning time once a week.

PE

Children should come to school in [PE kits](#) on their PE days:

Tuesday - Autumn 1 Dance (Indoor PE)

Thursday - Autumn 1 Hockey (outdoor PE)

Plain black hoodies should be worn please. We will, of course, inform you in advance of any changes to our PE days.

Homework

Every week I will set English and Maths homework based on the learning in class that week. On alternate weeks, Athletics will be set and on the other weeks the children will have work in their maths homework book. I will also assign foundation subject projects throughout the year. Please encourage your child to complete their homework before the due date:

Thursday – Homework Set

Tuesday – Homework Due

Reading in Year 5

Please encourage regular reading of high-quality texts at home. Children should be reading as many evenings at home as possible. The children should record reading in their reading records as they will be checked each day. Your children will have regular reading opportunities in a school day so alongside regular home reading.

Maths

Please help your child with their mental manipulation of numbers to increase their confidence and speed. This could include counting forwards and backwards from a given number (including decimals and fractions) or addition and subtraction problems.

Equipment

The children only need a book bag or a small rucksack to carry their belongings otherwise the cloakroom gets very crowded! It is vital come to school with the correct equipment daily. All stationery has been provided by the PTA so you child should not bring in their own pens, pencils or pencils cases into school.

Welcome Meeting

Parents are invited to our Welcome Meeting on Thursday 18th September at 4.30pm. This will be a chance to hear more about the curriculum and the learning focus for the year. Parents will be able to join the meeting in-person in the classroom, or can join via TEAMS. Unfortunately, we are not able to offer supervision for children during the meeting time, so joining on TEAMS may be an option if there are any problems with childcare.

If you have any questions about school life that has not been answered here or need to contact me regarding information about your child you think I should know please email me on the Year 5 email. I am also happy to chat to you in person or on the phone, though these will need to be arranged meetings.

Best wishes,

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