

Welcome to Year 5 – Otters



Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back from a strange and unique summer. I hope you all had a restful break and are as excited about the year ahead as I am. We have got a busy and fun packed term coming up with plenty of opportunities for the children to develop their love of learning.

P.E.

We have P.E. twice a week, on a Monday and Thursday, and intend to run a daily mile every day. However, this may vary if other events in the week cause a clash. With this in mind, please could you ensure the children have their full P.E. kits in on a Monday morning and have it at school all week.

Homework

Spellings for the term will be sent out early in the term. With the focus being on one rule for two weeks and a set of words revised over the whole term. The letter will also include a variety of methods to practice their words which they are not expected to bring back to school.

Purple Mash will be used to set online homework. This will vary across maths, including times-tables, English, including comprehensions, and other various subject skills. Their login details are stuck to the inside cover of their reading diaries and the link to the website is still accessible through the school website if required.

To limit objects being carried in and out of school I will not be setting a topic-based homework this term, but hope to change that in the terms moving forwards.

Reading

Children are encouraged to read every day. Please ensure they read a variety of genres and read aloud to an adult at least twice a week for ten minutes. The ability to read aloud and to an audience is an important skill. Also, reading out loud ensures the pronunciation, and understanding, of words is supported as well as the development of using emphasis and tone to share emotion.

Topic

This term we are focussing our topic around **Crime and Punishment** during the time period of Roman occupation of Britain to present day.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Regards,

Mr. Freeman, Mrs Follet and Mrs Walter