



Welcome to Year 5



Dear Parents/Carers and children,

We hope that you have had a relaxing summer break and are excited for the upcoming term. We aim to make the curriculum as creative as possible, enabling the children to succeed in their personal targets and enjoy their time in Year 5.

Our cross-curricular topic this term is Ancient Greece. We will be looking at the Greek civilization, myths and legends, their influences on modern-day life and much more.

Our art will draw inspiration from Greek life and Ancient Greek pottery.

Here are a few quick reminders of what your child needs to bring to school:

- PE will be on **Tuesdays** (outdoor) and for this half term, we will be going swimming (**Wednesdays**), so please remember PE and swimming kits on these days. Please ensure that outdoor PE kit includes trainers, tracksuit bottoms and a long-sleeved top. Remember that timetables can change, so it would be useful to have PE kits handy throughout the week.
- Pens and pencils etc. are provided so your child will not need a pencil case.



- **Reading** is extremely important and we expect every child to read a little each night. They may choose a book from school, to begin with, and should record their reading in their reading diaries. We do encourage children to read their own books as well if they wish. Reading diaries will be checked on a Friday and we will expect to see at least five entries recorded. When possible, please hear your child read and make your own comments in their diaries – We cannot stress how important hearing your child read is, even if you are confident of your child's reading ability. Talking about texts unlocks many skills that are very difficult to acquire without discussion. Further details can be given at the curriculum evening.
- **Spellings** will be sent home each week and spelling tests will take place on **Fridays**.
- **Times tables** will be tested on a weekly basis. Please practise these with your child at home as this knowledge will help them in many areas of their maths learning.

Please feel free to speak to us if you have any questions whatsoever about anything (to do with school).

Thanks for your support and help,

Mrs Allan and Mr Lowrie-Herz

