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Dear Parents/Carers

Team 1 Autumn Term Newsletter

Welcome back to a new school year. We hope you all had a very enjoyable summer holiday.

Thank you for your support in making the beginning of the school year run so smoothly and calmly. The children have settled in well and appear keen and eager to learn! They all look very smart in their school uniforms.

We have three Year 5 classes Mrs Hamblett (India), Mrs Forbes (South Africa) and Miss Brown (Brazil), as well as three Year 6 classes Mrs Dent (Australia), Miss Mellor (China) and Mr Frank (USA). The children will also benefit from the support of the teaching assistants based in Team 1 (Mrs Walker, Mrs Heap, Mrs Snowdon, Mr Kirby, Mrs Rouse, Mrs Brown, Mrs Hubbert and Mrs Richardson). Mrs Atkinson, Mrs Saint and Mr Fowler will be teaching the classes throughout the week to enable teachers to have their PPA (Planning, Preparation and Assessment) time.

Y6 Monitors

Y6 children have now been allocated monitor roles. For the children who have early morning roles, they do not need to be in school any earlier than 8:30am. The children, who have after school roles, should be finished by 3:30pm.

Diary Dates

Parents Consultation Evenings - appointments 3:30pm-5:30pm

Monday 21st October 2019

Wednesday 23rd October 2019

Assemblies (this term) 9:45am - 10:30am

China	Miss Mellor	Friday 18 th October
South Africa	Mrs Forbes	Friday 8 th November
Australia	Mrs Dent	Friday 29 th November

School Trips

South Africa (Mrs Forbes)	Botanic Gardens	Thursday 26 th September 2019
Brazil (Miss Brown)	Botanic Gardens	Monday 30 th September 2019
India (Mrs Hamblett)	Botanic Gardens	Wednesday 2 nd October 2019
Y6 Beamish		Wednesday 9 th October 2019

Could we ask any parent or grandparent that is DBS checked and is willing to help on any of the above trips (or sporting events) to let your child's class teacher know. Thank you.

Sporting Events

Some children from Y4 up to Y6 will be involved in a Cross Country competition on Wednesday 18th September. There will also be a Tag Rugby competition for more children in Y5 and Y6 on Wednesday 26th September.

During the second half term some children will be involved in an Athletics competition held on the 5th November and a Football competition on 20th November.



Bikeability

The Y5 children have successfully completed Level 1 Bikeability and will be given the opportunity to complete Level 2 in the Summer term.

Curriculum

As usual we will be continuing English and maths on a daily basis.

Y6 English will be linked to our history topic 'The Victorians'. We will study 'Street Child' by Berlie Doherty and 'Oliver Twist' by Charles Dickens.

Y5 will study 'Journey to the River Sea' by Eva Ibbotson.

Spellings will be sent home on a Friday and they will be tested the following week in the form of an investigation.

In Y5 and Y6 children are expected to take reading books home every night. You will find we have a number of reading tasks at the front of their journals to complete at home (a minimum of three per week).

In Year 5 & 6 the children are set for **maths**, so your child may have a different teacher for their maths lessons. Maths homework goes home every Friday. Maths homework is intended as reinforcement of concepts covered in the lessons and if you or your child are anxious about the work, or the methods used, please do not hesitate to contact us either in person or by writing a note in their book, and we will be pleased to help.

PE kits (white tee-shirt, navy shorts, navy/black tracksuit, trainers and socks) need to be in school every day. May we take this opportunity to remind everyone that earrings need to be removed by the child themselves or taped if they have recently been pierced.

Mrs Dent

Miss Mellor

Mr Frank

Mrs Hamblett

Mrs Forbes