



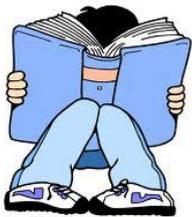
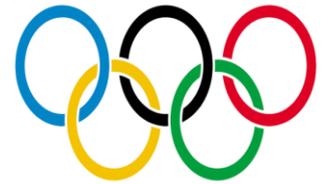
Year 5

Newsletter to parents

Autumn Term 2016

Welcome to Year 5, we hope you have had a restful and enjoyable summer holiday. This term, we are looking forward to a range of interactive and fun learning opportunities through our topics.

The theme for the first half term is "Faster, Higher, Stronger" which will encompass many aspects of the curriculum from the origins of the Olympics in Ancient Greece, through to the role of the heart and lungs and the importance of healthy eating in our Science lessons. We are looking forward to Greek Day on **Tuesday 27th September**, which will allow the children to learn about the Greeks in a fun and interactive way. Later in the half term we will also be designing healthy snacks fit for an Olympian during Design Technology.



Reading: All Year 5 children have received new School Reading Records, which can be used to record any reading completed at home. Children are expected to read regularly at home, at least three times a week. Asking your children questions about the text will help them to develop their retrieval and deduction skills.

Spellings: To support the word and sentence level work that we do in school, we will be giving children a range of spelling rules and patterns to investigate. Spelling work will be sent home on a Monday in small, blue books and collected on a Friday. Please support your child in this learning.

Home learning: Home learning will relate to your child's Literacy, Mathematics and topic work. Home learning is given out on Thursday and collected in the following Tuesday. Children are expected to spend no more than forty-five minutes on their home learning.

The children will need their outdoor and indoor **PE** kits on both Mondays and Thursdays. Please ensure that children have appropriate clothing and footwear that you are happy with getting muddy. It may also be useful to have a spare pair of socks in their PE bag. If your child is not able to take part, please let us know either verbally or through a letter. Please also ensure that inhalers and medication are in school and PE kits are fully named. Beginning on Friday 16th September, we will be participating in outdoor learning, which may include visiting the forest, on alternate Friday afternoons. While the weather is fine, children can wear trainers and a waterproof coat for this activity. 5 Edison will be outdoors first (16th September) and 5 Anning will be the following week (23rd September).



This term promises to be a busy but exciting one, and should be an inspiring start to Year Five for the children. Thank you in advance for your help in supporting your child so they can achieve their full potential this year.

Yours sincerely,
Miss Ross and Miss Carter