#### **HELPING AT HOME**

School crams as much as possible into the school day however there is much you can do at home to help and support your child's learning. Research shows that when school and home work together and children are supported in their learning at home, they do better academically than those children who solely rely on school.

## Reading

Please hear you child read from their reading book at least three times a week. In addition to this read a story from a reading from pleasure book to your child daily.

# Spelling

Your child will be set spellings to learn each week and will be tested the following week. Please ensure that your child learns these. The interactive website 'Spelling Shed' has your child's spellings featured and allows them to be learnt and tested at home using any web based device. Practice with them and test them so they know how many they know before their spelling test.

## Times Tables Rock Stars

Children will be expected to be really confident in all their times tables and division facts (**up to the 12 times table**) by the start of Year 5.

PE DAYS—Please ensure your child comes in the correct PE kit and NOT own clothes. PE kit—Plain white t shirt, with or without collar, with or without logo. Navy, black, grey leggings or jogging bottoms. Navy sweatshirt, with or without logo. A pair of plimsoles WITHOUT black soles to be kept IN school, in a pump bag for indoor PE. A pair of sensible trainers to be worn for school on outdoor PE days. A pair of navy, black, grey shorts for indoor PE days.



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# Year 5 Parent Information Leaflet

Willow— Mrs Speight
Silver Birch — Mrs Renshaw /
Mr Dobbins
Beech— Miss Smith
Band Leader— Mrs Speight

Assistant Headteacher for KS2—
Mrs Speight
Deputy Headteacher—Mrs Parry
Executive Headteacher—Mr Forber

Welcome back to Year 5!

The children have settled well into their new classes. Here is some information that you may need for the rest of this term.

## IMPORTANT DAYS AND DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

## PE DAYS:

Willow—Tuesday and Wednesday Beech— Monday and Wednesday Silver Birch— Tuesday and Wednesday

Please ensure your child comes in to school on PE days wearing their P.E Kit. School uniform for P.E is a white t-shirt, black or navy-blue shorts and black pumps. Your child may require something warmer to wear if the weather is colder. Please ensure that all items of kit are clearly labelled with your child's name. For health and safety reasons, children cannot wear jewellery for PE, so all children need to either be able to remove their earrings or they should be removed in the morning before school.

TRIPS / VISITS / EVENTS: Venues and times TBC

## COMMUNICATION

If you wish to talk to the teacher about anything please do so; often small issues can be quickly resolved, if we know about them. If the class teacher has been unable to solve the problem the next person to speak to is the Band Leader and then the Assistant Headteacher.

Please read the **newsletter** to keep informed about what is happening in school. Important information is shared on here. Check the website if your child hasn't brought one home or follow the link on the weekly text message

# **CURRICULUM—What your child will be learning**

## **Enalish**

This term we will be focusing on a short film entitled "Little Freak", where children will be writing a diary. This will be followed by the book "The Errand", where they will be writing a cliff-hanger narrative and an instruction manual.

## Maths

We will start year 5 looking at the place value of numbers up to one million; addition and subtraction; statistics; multiplication and division; and area and perimeter.

# **Physical Education**

Indoor PE—Gymnastics and Dance Outdoor—Football and Rugby

## Science

Our science unit for the Autumn term is Earth and space, followed by a unit on forces.

# **History**

We will be studying Anglo-Saxons and Vikings concentrating on them raiding and invading.

## **ICT**

We will thinking about how to keep safe online then using a program called "Flowol" to control devices.

#### French

We will be learning about how we feel in French; subjects we study and school and places in the city.

## Art/DT

In art we will be doing creative collage and studying the artist Megan Coyle, and in DT we will be making waist-coats!