



Kea Community Primary School

Tuesday 10th September 2019

Dear Parents and carers of Year 5

I hope you have all had an enjoyable summer holidays and are ready for the new school term. I have been greatly impressed with how Year 5 have started the school year and know we have a fantastic year of learning ahead of us.

Learning in Year 5 is engaging, personalised, quick-paced and life-long. Our Year 5 team will promise to create and nurture a class which is inclusive, encourages resilience, independence and a true love of learning.

It has been fantastic to spend some quality time with the children during our transition morning and I am looking forward to meeting all our new parents. A great way to do this would be to join our pupil parent workshop on Wednesday 18th September in which you can join your child in a maths lesson. The workshop will start at 9.10 and finish by 10.30.

Homework will be given out each Friday and is to be handed in the following Wednesday. This is to ensure that children get the opportunity to complete their homework on time even if they have mislaid it or have had a busy weekend. On Monday lunchtime a homework club is available to enable children to complete it with assistance or simply within a quiet space.

Reading continues to be an important area of learning and children are now learning to read for pleasure as well as reading to learn new information. Discussion about reading is an integral part of becoming more advanced readers so I highly recommend that children take part in reading at home with parents. You will find a guide on how to help your children with their reading in the inside cover of their reading record. Key spellings can be located at the back too.

Key Stage 2 children are going to continue learning foundation subjects by utilising teacher's specialist skills. This year in the afternoons, Year 5 will be taught:

- Humanities & Science by Mrs Drzymala
- PSHE by Mrs Tucker
- French by Mr Miles
- Art by Mrs Morgan
- PE by Mr Cotterill & Mrs Tucker
- ICT by Mrs Stone



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- Music by Miss Reeve

As in previous years, children will need their PE kit in school all week due to timetable changes that may occur throughout the year. I would also encourage children to bring in their reading records every day, ensuring that they have it in their bag.

I would love any help that you could offer throughout the year. It could be listening to children read regularly, helping on school trips or with a topic that we are studying. Any support would be greatly appreciated.

If you have any concerns about your child, however small, please come and speak to me before or after school. As always it will be a privilege and honour to teach your child and I look forward to a happy and successful year ahead.

Mrs Lorna Drzymala