



Years 5 & 6

Phase Information

Miss Diemel

Mrs O'Brien

Mrs Rampersaud

Mrs Carter

Mrs Standen

Mrs Milson

UNIFORM AND CLOTHING

Please ensure that **ALL** clothing and shoes are clearly named. Please ensure your child has a waterproof jacket, even on fine days as we often try to be outside as much as possible and British weather can be extremely unpredictable!

Please ensure your child has the correct P.E. kit and comes to school on their PE day dressed for PE: T-shirt, shorts/joggers/skort and plain trainers – not their normal outdoor shoes. PE will be outside until further notice so appropriate kit is essential. Earrings are acceptable as everyday wear but must be removed before coming to school on PE days. Watches should be removed for PE; smartwatches and fitness trackers, e.g. Fitbits are not permitted. No hair gel, makeup or nail varnish is permitted.

Please ensure school shoes offer suitable coverage and stability if children are running and playing at break times; additionally, we endeavour to do a 'Daily Mile' as much as possible as weather permits.

P.E. DAYS

Please ensure your child comes dressed for PE on these days.

Year 5 Mrs Rampersaud – Tuesday

Year 5/6 Mrs O'Brien– Thursday

Year 6 – Miss Dienel - Friday

ACCESS TO THE CLASS TEACHER

- If you have any concerns about your child's progress, please contact the school office to arrange a telephone call to follow this up.
- Please keep the school informed of any changes of address, emergency contact numbers or home circumstances which could affect your child's wellbeing or their learning.

HOMEWORK & HOME LEARNING

Government guidelines recommend 30 minutes homework per day for children in years 5 and 6. This should include a regular weekly schedule as outlined below:

- Reading – your child will be given a book, or they may bring one in from home to help practise their reading skills at school and at home. Please ensure that you help your child by listening to them read regularly; this is still vital. Please record this in their planner and sign it weekly. Even though the children do read well, this is needed to further develop their vocabulary & comprehension skills, so please ask children questions about what they have read – suggestions are in their planner. It is important that children read a wide variety of texts to make up their reading 'diet', so please support them with news articles, non-fiction and magazines as well as their reading book.
- Spellings – the children will be given spellings to learn and be tested on. Please help them to learn using 'Look, Say, Cover, Write and Check' method. Further communication about spellings will be sent out as the term progresses and initial assessments are completed. Please contact your class teacher for support with different ways to rehearse spellings if required.
- Times tables – will be tested regularly. In Upper Key Stage 2, children should know by heart up to 12x12, including associated division facts. Please help with this at home as it is the basis for so much other mathematics! Children have access to Times Tables Rock Stars to support them with this; please contact us if children have forgotten their details.
- Homework is set on Thursdays for English & Maths– due following Monday.
- Y6 children will be issued with a Maths & English study guide, which is the property of the school and should be returned at the end of the school year. Children will generally use the accompanying question books for their homework, though, on occasion, teachers may set a different task not from the question book. They are generally the first port of call if your child is finding the homework difficult to understand and are designed to complement their question books.
- Children will make a note of their homework in their planners each week. Homework will also be posted on google classroom; your child has log in details for this.
- If there are any issues with homework, please ask your child to speak to us in the first instance or contact us via the office. As the children are older, we encourage them, wherever possible, to take ownership & responsibility for organising themselves with this.

- In the event of your child having to self-isolate due to coronavirus measures or of a local lockdown, materials will be posted on their google classroom page. Children have joined a new page for their new class but their login details remain the same. Please contact your class teacher if they have forgotten these.

Children will record their school reading and any reminders in their planner. Please ensure you check the planner each day and sign it weekly. Your help in organising your child with this is much appreciated.

Helpful websites to support home learning:

www.mathsframe.co.uk (user=wheatcroft password = stanstead)

www.espresso.co.uk user = wheatcroft password = student16120)

www.spellingframe.co.uk – no account required

DRINKS AND LUNCHES

- Children should bring a full bottle of plain, non-flavoured water to school each day. Bottles may be purchased from the school office and are to be kept in classrooms; drinking water is freely available throughout the day for bottles to be refilled within the classroom.
- Children may bring a **healthy** snack to eat at mid-morning break, but no **nut** products, including cereal bars are allowed, as we have several children in school who are allergic to nuts.
- School dinners are booked through the office with a half-term's notice either to start or stop. It is **essential to notify the school office** of any changes.
- Please label lunch boxes clearly with your child's full name to avoid confusion and could we remind you that sweets, chocolate bars and nut products are not allowed. These will be kept within classroom, so please ensure they are a reasonable size.
- If your child is having a school meal, please choose this at home in advance; please use School Gateway for meal payments to avoid money coming into school.

OTHER

All stationery, pens, pencils etc. are provided by the school. The only exception to this is that the children may bring in a fountain pen to use, which should have black ink cartridges, not a biro or roller ball. This will remain in school.

HYGIENE

Although we ask that your children bring in their own hand sanitiser and packet of tissues, there is access to hand sanitiser and tissues within each class. Children are reminded to wash their hands regularly.