



## Welcome to term 4!

I hope you have had a restful half term, and the children are ready for another term of exciting learning. The children worked hard last term, and should be proud of what they continue to achieve. We have a lot of additional events going on, so please look out for messages and information. Our first exciting event will be World Book Day, so look out for further information about that! Please spend some time reading our Curriculum Overview which outlines each subject's focus this term.

### Reading

Please continue to encourage your child to read every day for at least 15 minutes. When your child completes a book, please get them to bring the book into school so that they can complete the Accelerated Reader quiz about their book. The children are welcome to bring in books from home; they may still have a related quiz. Which class will complete the most quizzes this term? We would love to see a big increase in quiz completion.

### Homework

We will continue to have a spelling test every Friday. The other homework task will be set on Mathletics. Please look out for messages on Clasdojo to make sure your child is completing the correct tasks. Homework is an important way for children to prepare for secondary school, when the expectations will be even higher.

### Times Tables

Please continue to regularly practise times tables with your child. Strong times table knowledge is a solid foundation for all maths knowledge, so they are vital. As a school, we use Times Tables Rockstars as an online resource to practise times tables. Please let us know if your child has lost their login details; we can send them out again.

### Reminders

Equipment: Please can we ask all children to come to school whenever possible, with a pencil case containing: Black handwriting pen, Pencil, sharpener, Ruler, Purple pen, and a Glue stick. They may also choose to bring colouring pens/pencils. This is the time of year when things start to run out (especially glue sticks!), so please check that your child has all the stationery they require to access their learning.  
PE days: Our P.E days are Mondays and Fridays. Please send children into school in their P.E kits on these days. Pufferfish will be swimming on Fridays, so will need their swimming kit on these days. Finally, please encourage your child to come to school each day with a water bottle and coat, as the weather is so unpredictable!

We are here to help, so please let us know by chatting when you collect your child, or by contacting the school office. We will always aim to return calls and answer queries as quickly as possible.

### Thank you from the year 5 team:

Mr Parkin, Mrs Rajan, Mr May, Mrs Collis and Mrs Herst