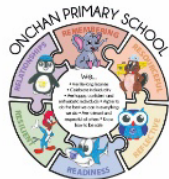




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**Welcome to Year 5!**

Our first topic this year is going to be all about **Travel in Europe**. We are excited to learn all about the geography of Europe and all the countries, cities and landmarks it contains. We will also be learning about **Earth and Space** in Science. If you have any resources you think may be useful or interesting, please send them into school with your child.

#### Year 5 Team

**Mrs Pearson** – Leopards' Class Teacher

**Miss Crowe & Mrs Ward** – Sea Turtles' Class Teachers

**Mrs Shimmin-Monk** – SESO

**Miss Callow** – ESO

#### Contacting School

If you need to contact school about anything please email or phone the office and they will pass on the message to your child's teacher.

#### Outdoor learning

Outdoor learning will be on Friday afternoon this year. Please send your children in in appropriate clothing and footwear for a muddy and potentially wet environment. These sessions will take place in our outdoor space, venturing into Molly Quirk later in the year.

#### Medication/Health Care Plans

Just a reminder to ensure that you have updated your child's medication and health care plan for this school year. Please return this even if there are no medical needs to record.

#### Reading/ spellings

Please continue to read with your child at home as much as possible during the week. Spellings will be sent out via **Edshed** every week and children can log in to practice.

#### Times tables

Children now have access to both **Mathletics** and **TT rockstars** to practice their times tables and retrieval skills for Maths. Please utilise these at home as they are a great resource.

#### Home Learning

Children are encouraged to use Mathletics and EdShed to support Maths and Spellings, and to read regularly at home to boost Reading and Literacy. Additional home learning could include independent research projects linked to our Year 5 topics. Please encourage children to share any extra work with their class teacher.

## Year 5 Autumn Newsletter

### Dates for your Diary

Skipping Workshop – 25<sup>th</sup> September

Outdoor Learning Centre Trip – 5WC 25<sup>th</sup> September

Outdoor Learning Centre Trip – 5P 2<sup>nd</sup> October

Rock Kidz – 15<sup>th</sup> October

Meet the Teacher Mrs Pearson and Mrs Ward – 21<sup>st</sup> October

Meet the Teacher Miss Crowe – 22<sup>nd</sup> October

### PE Kits

Please ensure that your child has the appropriate PE kit in school every day. This should include both an indoor and outdoor kit, with appropriate footwear.

Children will also need to have the correct swimming equipment every Friday beginning this week Friday 12<sup>th</sup> September.

### Healthy Snack and Water

Please remember that your child's snack must be of a healthy nature (eg: piece of fruit or a cereal bar). They should also have a water bottle in school every day. No juice please!

### Meet the Teacher

Please note that Mrs Ward will be going on maternity leave from October half term. She will however, be available to discuss the children's progress so far this year at the Meet the Teacher event on Tuesday 21 October (with Mrs Pearson). Miss Crowe will be available to speak with parents at the **Meet the Teacher** evening on **Wednesday 22 October**. If you have any questions ahead of the meetings, please get in touch with the school office.