

Davington Primary School

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Dear Parents

We welcome you and your children to Year 5. We are looking forward to a successful year, full of hard work and enjoyable learning.

Topics for the Term

Please see attached sheet for topic map.

PE

Please ensure your child's PE kit is in school. Our PE times are as follows:

5H – Indoor P.E. on Friday and outdoor P.E. on Wednesday 5P – Indoor P.E. on Thursday and outdoor P.E. on Wednesday

Swimming will not begin for Year 5 until term 6.

Please ensure children with shoulder length hair or longer have their hair tied back. If your child has pierced ears, their earrings will need to be removed for these sessions. Please ensure your child's PE kit is in a suitable bag and labelled clearly with their full name and class.

Homework

Your child has been presented with a colourful homework folder which will be sent home on a Wednesday containing their English and maths homework for the week. This will need to be completed and returned with their folder for the following Monday. This work will then be marked/reviewed and returned along with their new set of homework on the following Wednesday. This cycle will then repeat throughout the term. Spelling practice and daily reading for pleasure should run alongside this work.

Children should spend no more than 20 minutes at a time on each piece of homework. We encourage independence but would welcome your support as necessary.

A general research project focusing on the historical/geographical elements of the curriculum will be given out each term. Children will have several weeks to complete this and are encouraged to focus in on an aspect that grabs their interest. Details and a deadline for this work will follow.

Trips

To reinforce and inspire your children's learning this year we will organise a variety of educational experiences which we will let you know about in advance.



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Water

It is important that children drink plenty of water throughout the day. In order to do this, children need a named water bottle that they can use. Please make sure this does not leak and has a 'sports top' lid. These can be bought in the school office - $\pounds 1.20$. No squash please.

Break Time Snacks

Fruit will be available to Key Stage 2 children at break times in our fruit café. Fruit vouchers can be bought from the school gate each morning and cost 20p. We strongly encourage children to make use of this facility.

Arriving at school

We have an 'open door' policy and are always ready to discuss any urgent problems with you in the morning when you bring your child to school. However, if you want to have a longer chat about your child, please could you make an appointment to talk to us after school – thank you.

Collecting your child

At the end of the school day your child will be taken to the main playground. The children are instructed to remain with school staff until they see the adult responsible for collecting them. Thank you for your co-operation in this matter.

Yours sincerely

Mr Haines, Ms Preston & Mrs Manning Press Year 5 Class Teachers