YEAR 5 - MEET THE TEACHER 2025-2026

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HOMEWORK

- At the start of each half term, the children will be sent home a Home Learning Project, of varying activities, to complete based on the topics they are learning.
- The tasks will need to be completed by half term that said, they are not compulsory.
- Once a task has been completed, send me a photograph on SeeSaw.
- Each half term, 'Knowledge Organisers' will continue to be sent home by Mr. Varney. Please talk through these with your child. The more they know about the topic...the better!
- The spelling curriculum is changing, they will have two discreet lessons per week, so children (at this stage) won't need to learn spellings at home, unless we state otherwise.

READING

- Read for 10 20 minutes every night.
- Children should fill in their 'Reading Record' to show what they have read. It needs to be in school on their reading day.
- You will need to sign this once a week, as parents, to indicate they have read. As well as still hearing them read it is important to constantly question their comprehension of what has been read.
- If you are a free reader now not reading from any school scheme you can borrow books from our class library and we would encourage you all to get books from the reading list.
- The aim is to read all fifty, year 5 recommended reads, by the end of the year.
- Buying reading books does not need to be expensive if you buy them second hand from Amazon you can get many titles for as little as a pound – excluding postage.
- https://www.amazon.co.uk/London-Eye-Mystery-Siobhan-Dowd/dp/0141376554/ref=sr_1_1?s=books&ie=UTF8&qid=1535977279&sr=1-1&keywords=london+eye+mystery

CYCLING

- http://bikeability.org.uk/
- Cycling proficiency will take place in the spring or summer term due to there being a backlog from the last academic year. You will receive a letter about the course before it starts.
- Children must have a suitable and functioning bike that is in good working order.
- They must have waterproof clothing and a helmet, as they'll cycle even if it is raining.
- Instructors only pass children who are secure on their bikes.
- Level I will take place on the school playground level 2 will be out on the roads around the village.
- Please take your child out for as many rides as possible before this course starts.
- We are letting you know well in advance, so they can become as proficient as possible.

SWIMMING

- Swimming is back!
- It begins, Thursday 10th September!
- Children will be working towards different awards.

E-SAFETY

- Issues with e-safety can affect anyone! Don't think it won't happen to you or your child we have had issues with pupils from this school.
- Whenever children are online, ensure they are in a public place in your house.
- Remind them not to 'chat' to strangers; you have not met these people in person they may well not be who they say they are.
- Remind children that anything they post will be out there forever.

ASSESSMENT

- Children are assessed according to whether they have met age-related expectations (ARE).
- There are a set of objectives in each subject: children need to meet most of these to have reached ARE.
- So now we are reporting on whether or not they are where they should be according to their age (as prescribed by the government).

ASSESSMENT: TERMS WE ARE USING

- Working below the expected range for their age.
- Working towards the expected range for their age.

Children are developing skills within their year group expectations, although they may not yet be secure — almost there!

Working securely within the expected range for their age.

Children have securely met the majority of learning objectives prescribed for their year group — ideally this is where they should be.

Working above the expected range for their age.

Children are working beyond what has been prescribed for their year group.

COMMUNICATION/AOB

- Only contact us via the email provided below, if there is a **major** issue to address, as responding to them takes time away from the children's learning.
- <u>teacher5@stpauls909.herts.sch.uk</u>
- Please make sure children have trainers with them for PE on Wednesdays and Thursdays. They can come to school in their PE kit.
- If children want to include a spare pair of black trainers, slippers or plimsolls in their PE bag, for those wintery, wet, muddy days, that too would be a good idea, so they have something to change into once inside.