

Welcome to Year 5!

We hope this leaflet will help you find out more about Year 5 and the coming year ahead.

We have very high expectations of the children in Year 5. We will be encouraging them to do their best in their learning and in their social interactions in the playground and around the school.

**Our Year 5 Team:**

**Year 5 Team Leader: Mrs Penycate**

**Year 5 Assistant Team Leader: Mrs Rice**

**Year 5 Class Teachers: Mrs Rice, Miss Razzaq and Mr Walsh**

**Year 5 Teaching Assistants: Mrs King, Miss Mussa and Miss Aslam**

**Behaviour:**

To encourage children in Oak Hill to make the right choices, we believe in positive praise. **Our rewards are:** Aspirations Points, Gotchas (at lunchtimes) and weekly achievement awards. **Our sanctions are:** a three point strike system.

**Communication:**

Our partnership with you is really important to us. Year 5 teachers are outside at the gate at the end of each school day and appointments can be made at the office if you need to speak to us. **Please make sure we have your email address.** In a bid to save the environment, we send all our letters via email. These include: Weekly Email Summary (a round-up of the week, celebrations and the week ahead), Half-termly Newsletters and any trip letters or information from the office. Please make sure the school has your email address.

**The School Day:**

School starts at 8.40am (On Monday- children will come in from 8.50am). Year 5 Lunch is from 12.40pm – 1.30pm

**Afternoon lessons finish at 3.15pm and we endeavour to be out of the building by 3:20pm.**

All Year 5 children enter and leave the school by the Sapling Door and will exit the gate by the *Once Upon a Time Nursery*.

**Healthy Snacks:**

Children are allowed to bring in **fruit** at playtime to have as their snack, along with a bottle of water (in an OHA school bottle). You can purchase these from the school office for £1.70. **We are a nut free school.**

**Uniform:**

At Oak Hill, we are very proud of our smart uniform. Please ensure your child has a named blazer, tie, white shirt, black trousers/Oak Hill skirt and black school shoes every day (Oak Hill Jumpers are optional). Earrings, nail varnish and jewellery are strictly prohibited. For PE, children are required to have an Oak Hill shirt in their house colour, joggers/leggings/ shorts, trainers/plimsolls and a plain jumper/hoodie.



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## Parent Information Leaflet



**Homework:**

Homework will be assigned on Google Classroom on a Friday and due back on Wednesday. If children do not complete the compulsory homework they will be asked to attend Homework Club to complete the work.

Compulsory Weekly homework will include Reading (Your child should be reading 15 minutes every evening using their Accelerated Reader book from the school library). A short SPAG, Maths and Reading task will also be assigned on Google Classroom.

**Enrichment Project:** The children will be given a half termly optional Enrichment Homework Project to complete at home linked to our learning in class. An outline of the project will be given to each child at the start of each half term with a schedule of what to complete and when. Children will be rewarded for their efforts.

**Trips:**

Trips will be organised every half term to help enrich the children's learning and to help provide valuable learning experiences that are linked to the learning journey. This half term, we have an exciting trip planned to 'The Living Rainforest'. Please ask your child's class teacher a copy of the letter. Various other trips will be planned in advance and we will give you as much notice as possible. If you're interested in helping on the trips, please let your child's class teacher know.

**Social and Emotional Health:**

This year, the children will take part in compulsory Sex and Relationships Education in the Summer Term. This is an important part of the National Curriculum in Year 5 and we offer parents the opportunity to look at the materials used before teaching begins, if they would like. A meeting will be arranged before the topic starts to allow you to have an understanding of what we will cover in the topic.

**Great Reads:**

Richard Adams- Watership Down  
Joan Aiken- The James III Sequence  
David Almond- Skellig  
Neil Arksey- Playing on the Edge  
Linda Aronson- Kelp

**Thank you in advance for your support during Year 5; it is sure to be an exciting and busy year!**

**Curriculum:**

Here at Oak Hill, we follow an Aspirations 'No Limits' curriculum based on the three guiding principles and eight conditions. Our themes each half term are **Belonging, Leadership and Responsibility, Curiosity and Creativity, Heroes, Spirit of Adventure and Fun and Excitement**. These will be taught through a specific subject focus each half term. Our topics include: Rainforests; Living in Space; Saxon Settlers and Viking Raiders; The Generation Game – Growing Up; The Great Oak Hill Sewing Bee and Performing Arts.

Please see the half termly curriculum information letter for further details.

**Reading:**

During the course of the year we will read a selection of texts including: 'The Vanishing Rainforest' by Richard Platt; 'Journey to the River Sea' by Eva Ibbotson; 'Go on a Mission to Mars' by Colin Stuart; 'There's a Boy in the Girl's Bathroom' by Louis Sachar and Shakespeare's 'Romeo and Juliet'. This year we hope to further develop reading opportunities in Year 5 to inspire and engage our children.

**Specialism Day:**

This day includes PE, Spanish, Music and Life Skills and the children are required to come to school in their PE kits.

**Physical Education:**

Year 5 children need to come into school with their P.E kit on every Friday and every other Tuesday and Wednesday for their lesson during Specialism Day. Please see weekly emails for the PE schedule.

**Swimming:**

Swimming is back! We are extremely excited to offer the children the opportunity to swim this year. All swimming lessons are statutory as they are part of the children's learning. 5P will be the first class to start their swimming lessons. This will be from 22<sup>nd</sup> September up until the 1<sup>st</sup> December. You will be notified when your child's class will go swimming so please look out for that.

**Maths:**

The 'Mathematics Mastery' approach to teaching that we follow at Oak Hill allows children to build a deep conceptual understanding of concepts which will enable them to apply their learning to different situations with confidence. The aim is to eradicate the "Why do I need to know this?" aspect of Mathematics as pupils will see the benefit in relation to the real world. Children will be taught through the use of Concrete, Pictorial and Abstract approaches.

**Writing:**

During Year 5, children write for a variety of purposes and audiences. Through shared, modelled and independent writing, they are taught skills that enable them to improve the craft of writing and are encouraged to draft and revise work with a partner or the teacher. Children will also be taught specific spelling lessons in the afternoons, through which a fully cursive, joined handwriting style will be taught.