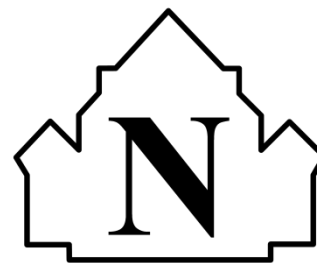


Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> September 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

We would like to take this opportunity to welcome you all back and hope you had an enjoyable Summer holiday. We are very much looking forward to the year ahead.



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**Drinnick Teaching Staff**

Mrs Jago is the Year 5 class teacher and our class teaching assistant is Miss Dash. The class will be covered by Mrs Miskowicz on Tuesday afternoons.

**Curriculum:**

During the Autumn Term we will be continuing to focus on our 'recovery curriculum', supporting children's mental and physical wellbeing and securing their skills from the current curriculum and that of the last academic year. Please refer to the curriculum overview sheet for more details about what Year 5 will be covering this term.

**PE:**

Our class will have PE on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons. On these days, children can still wear their PE kit to school. The list below states appropriate clothing for PE lessons:

- Shorts, leggings or tracksuit bottoms - black
- Plain white T-shirt (no large print or design please)
- Trainers or plimsolls
- Socks
- Tracksuits may be worn for outside PE during colder weather
- No earrings or jewellery to be worn for PE.

Please can all items of PE kit and school uniform be named (even if written on the label with biro).

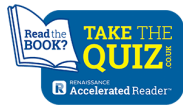
**Outdoor Learning:**

Our class outdoor learning will take place on a Monday afternoon. We will be using the various outdoor spaces on the school site to support our learning in all areas of the curriculum. On Monday, please make sure that your child has their coat in school as well as a change of suitable footwear (perhaps wellies or old trainers) due to the wet and/or muddy conditions. Please make sure these are labelled with your child's name.

**Reading:**

In school, your child will have guided reading activities. To progress well with reading skills, it is essential that children engage in reading activities at home as well. Our school expectation is for this to happen at home **at least 5 times per week** and Reading Records should be used to note reading completed at home. To encourage independence in Year 5, we will be promoting the idea of the children completing some sections of their Reading Record. The front pages contain examples of how to record home reading, but we will also remind the children that a signature from an adult at home must be obtained. **Record Records are handed**

**in on Mondays.** Please make sure that your child has their record in school because there is only one assigned day that they will be checked for points towards the reading reward scheme. There will opportunities to change reading books during the week and don't forget that you are able to quiz at home too:



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**Please remember that quiz results should be noted down in records so that we can add these when the weekly count is done.** Pupils will have a library slot on **Thursday** afternoon where they can select a book to bring home they can read and these reads also count towards the reading reward.

### **Homework:**

In addition to reading 5 times a week, children will also be set spellings to practise on 'Spelling Shed'. These spellings are the same as the ones we are learning in class. Your child's login details are in their reading records. There is no set amount of time that you have to spend on this outside of school, but little and often will be of huge benefit. These spellings will be shared on Dojo with our Monday post.

### **Age Appropriate Gaming and Screen Time:**

Many children spend a large amount of time using electronic devices and accessing computer games that are not age appropriate. As a proud Healthy Schools Award holder we would like to remind parents and carers that children are advised to spend **no more than 2 hours a day** in front of a screen (TV/ PC/ Laptop/ Tablet/ Smart phone/etc).

### **Open Door Policy:**

We welcome your feedback on any aspect of your child's time in Drinnick class. The class teacher will greet the children at the door each morning and the teaching assistant will dismiss at the end of the day where quick messages can be given. If you need to discuss something with us which requires more time, please speak to the office who will contact us. Also, you can use the messaging facility on ClassDojo. This messaging is a private conversation between the class teacher and the child's parent. However, please be aware that Dojo messages may only be checked a couple of times a week. Therefore, urgent things that need our attention should be shared with us on the door or via the school office.

We are very much looking forward to the term ahead and thank you for your continued support.

**Mrs Jago and Miss Dash**

**Drinnick Team**

