

Dear Parents,

We hope you have had a lovely Easter holiday and that your child is enjoying being back at school. This letter summarises what we will be studying in Year 5 this term, as well as clarifying expectations for homework. We look forward to working with your child this term; we hope they take as much as they can from their final term in Year 5.

There is a parents' evening planned for Year 5 parents in June – Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 18<sup>th</sup>. There will also be a final school report in Term 6, detailing your child's progress. Mr. Reid will host a meeting to discuss secondary school applications and the School Journey at 6pm on 20<sup>th</sup> May.

### Dates for your diary

27-Apr	Clubs Start
29-Apr	Parent Coffee Morning - Resilience - 9.00am - 10.00am
18-May	Author Visit: Louise Austin (Alex Abbott is [Un]Dead)
19-May	Year 5 Kent Test & Hilltop Meeting - 6.00 - 7.00pm
21-May	RE Day
22-May	LAST DAY OF TERM
HALF TERM	
01-Jun	Inset Day
02-Jun	FIRST DAY OF TERM
03-Jun	Year 5 - Greek Workshop
03-Jun	SRE Talk (Year 5 & 6 Parents - ICT suite childcare cover) - 3.30pm - 4.30pm
8-12-Jun	Amherst's Got Talent
16-Jun	Parent Consultations - Year 5
17-Jun	Parent Consultations - Year 5
26-Jun	Clubs End
30-Jun	Buddy Meeting: Year 5 & 2 - Olympics Event with Riverhead
02-Jul	New teacher - Transition morning
03-Jul	Sports Day - 1.30pm
04-Jul	PTA: Amherst Summer BBQ (3.00 - 7.00pm)
06-Jul	Year 5 - Sex & Relationship Education Talks - please avoid booking Secondary School Open Days
10-Jul	Summer Production - Dress Rehearsal - 1.45pm - 3.00pm
13-Jul	Summer Production - Matinee Performance - 1.45pm - 3.00pm
14-Jul	Summer Production - Evening Performance - 7.00pm - 8.15pm
15-Jul	Summer Production - Evening Performance - 7.00pm - 8.15pm
21-Jul	Rose Clifton Cricket Match
21-Jul	LAST DAY OF TERM
SUMMER	

### Topics

This list is not definitive but it gives you a broad outline of the areas being addressed this term. In order to aid your child's research, our topics for the Summer term are:

- **Literacy:**
  - *Holes*
  - Historical Texts based on the Ancient Greeks
  - *The Boy at the Back of the Class*

- **Maths:** Shape, Angles, Statistics, Geometry, Algebra, Ratio and Proportion, general revision
- **Science:** ‘Animals including Humans’ and ‘Forces’
- **History:** Ancient Greece
- **Computing:** Coding and Creating Media (video editing)
- **RE:** Places of Worship and What Would Jesus Do? Can people live by the values of Jesus in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century?
- **Art:** Clay designs inspired by Ancient Greece
- **PE:** Swimming (Term 5 & 6 )
- **Games:** Tennis and Rounders

**Maths & English homework:** Our English work is typically based around work completed, or due to be completed in school, to embed understanding and should be completed in full sentences wherever possible, and written in blue ink using our school’s cursive script: *abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz*. Please encourage your child to complete all MA corrections before starting a new test.

**Reading:** Your child should be encouraged to read for a minimum of twenty minutes daily, whether independently or with an adult. The children should record the book title and the pages read in their school ‘Planners’, which will be checked each Friday. Reading is one of the most effective ways to improve children’s educational outcomes and we would encourage you to cultivate a consistent, positive attitude to reading at home – as much and as often as possible.

Unfinished or additional pieces of work may be set at the discretion of the class teacher to be completed at home.

### Classroom Equipment

**Please can you check with your child that they have all of the necessary equipment in school, including a 30cm ruler, scissors, glue stick, compass, protractor and black dry wipe pens.** It would be useful for them to have a spare glue stick at school as these often run out.

### Games and PE – Term 5

Please ensure all sports and clothing items are named.

5A	5J	5CS
Games on a Thursday	Games on a Thursday	Games on a Thursday
PE Tuesday	PE Tuesday	PE Tuesday

### Educational experience

Continuing to link to Ancient Greece, we will be putting on a ‘Greek Day’ led by teachers, with an external show in the morning. This will consist of food tasting, drama and sporting events, allowing the children an opportunity to dress up as a Greek for the day. More information will be sent out nearer the time.

Year 5 will also meet up with their buddies for the third time in the late Summer term, where they will be organising and participating in a mini-Olympics event with them.

As ever, should you have any further queries you are always welcome to book an appointment at the office to see your child’s teacher.

Many thanks for your continued support.

Miss Carver

Miss Siddorns

Miss P Jones

Mr Taylor