

# Year 5 Newsletter- 12<sup>th</sup> September 2025

Dear Parents,

Welcome to Year 5 for your children and I am happy to let you know that they are all settling in well and getting used to not only a new teacher, but a new way of doing things too. We have been setting this new routine together!

I wanted to let you know about the spellings, times tables and home learning going forward, just to ensure that there is no confusion for the children. On a Friday, I will send home either 10, 7 or 6 spellings, depending on where your child is at with these. They can move around depending on how their scores are going. The children will know what they are learning. As always, I find that discussing scores can demotivate children that have found the spellings particularly tough one week. The children will see how they have done in their test books. My approach is that if a child is getting some of them correct, that's new vocabulary that they can add to their existing repertoire. Times tables are mainly mixed and the aim with the weekly test is to ensure that the children keep learning them and increase their scores regularly too. It's always a good idea to focus on learning any times tables that they may be rusty with.

Today I am sending some home learning with the children; this is to be handed back in by Wednesday of the following week. Home work will occasionally consist of sheets of work that they have been completing in class, or at points I will also set the odd project too. On that note, I would like the children to choose an area of 'Tudor Life' that they would like to present, in any format, to the rest of the class. This will be their home learning for the weeks beginning 22<sup>nd</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> September. The children can bring this home learning in to present the following week.

A reminder that we have Woodland Learning on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> September, please ensure that the children are wearing appropriate clothing for the stream and the unpredictable weather that we are having at the moment.

During term 2, I would like to organise a Tudor day for the children. This means that they can wear a Tudor costume if they would like to and they will take part in some activities related to this topic across the day. I am planning on the date being Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> November and will confirm the date in a letter nearer the time.

Thank you for ensuring that your children have everything they need in school each day, but just a reminder that a bottle of water is important to ensure that they can stay hydrated too. We would always provide a drink, but a bottle is easier for them to take with them at break, lunch and during PE lessons.

Any concerns about your child's learning going forward, please remember to come and see me at the end of the day, or if it needs a slightly longer discussion, please email to see me at a convenient time.

I look forward to getting to know the children more and ensuring that they have a great time learning, having fun, building resilience and continuing to grow as a class this year.

Thanks,

**Mrs Ward and Mrs Glennon**

**Spellings this week for all children are homophones: (those usually learning 6 can pick 6 of these ones to learn.)**

**Hear, here, there, their, they're, too, to, two, of, off, one, won, through, threw.**