

Welcome to Year 5



Who's who in Year 5



Mrs Dodd



Mr Smith



**Miss
Ludgate**



**Mrs
Hopwood**



Ms Waters



Señor Peña



Support for Parents/Carers



If you feel you need support for you or your family:

- Speak to our **Home/School Liaison Officer** – Mrs Hardy – or any member of staff
- Visit our **Social Supermarket** – open 2.30pm – 3.30pm Monday and Wednesday
- Take a look at the **Family Toolbox** which gives a wide range of tips and tools for family life - familytoolbox.co.uk
- **My Family Coach** also provides expert support for every parenting challenge - myfamilycoach.com

Attendance Matters



Attendance and Punctuality

We expect every child to attend **every day**, arriving at school **on time**.

This gives your child the best opportunity to make **progress** in their learning and in their social skills.

Our aim is for every child to have at least 97% attendance. More than 6 days absence in a school year will drop their attendance below this target.

If you are struggling to get your child into school every day on time, please ask us for help.



School success starts
with attendance

Attendance

MAKE SURE YOUR CHILD
IS IN SCHOOL EVERY DAY.

- The school day for Year 5 is currently 8.45am – 3.15pm

Please contact the school office or class teacher if you have any attendance concerns.



Routines



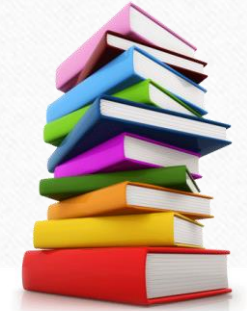
- Start the day as you mean to go on.
- Putting a clear routine in place can really help reduce stress and anxiety levels in the mornings.
- There's lots to remember and mornings can be a rush so prepare as much as you can the night before.
- Share the routine with your children including expectations for what you want them to do independently and what you will help them with.

Homework

- All homework goes home on a Monday and is expected to be returned on the Friday.
- Spelling homework is also given out on a Monday and should be returned on Friday ready for the spelling test.
- **Homework should be completed to a high standard and in pencil**



Reading at home



- Reading at home is one of the best ways you can continue to support your child and it is very important for your child to still be reading regularly, particularly after such a long time away from school.
- Reading 10 minutes per night.
- Reading records must be brought into school each day, with a comment recorded by your child about the reading completed.

PE days



- Your child has now been allocated their school PE kit which will remain in school.
- Please ensure your child has suitable trainers or black pumps for PE and make sure these are named and can be kept in school.
- The kit provided by school must not be worn for out of school activities and clubs.
- Year 5 PE is on Mondays and Fridays.

Growth Mindset

- In Year 5 we encourage the children to have a Mersey Park Mindset.
- This means we show the children what it means to 'Never Give Up'.
- We embrace challenges and teach the children that it is ok to make mistakes because this means we're trying something new and we're learning.



My Happy Mind

- Continuing to use myHappymind as a tool to support children's wellbeing and mental health
- Explores the different parts of the brain –
- 'Team HAP' - **Hippocampus, Amygdala and Prefrontal Cortex**
- Learning breathing techniques
- Control own emotions
- Cope with stress



Behaviour

- At Mersey Park we have a positive behaviour system where good behaviour is praised and rewarded.
- Our school values of 'Be Nice, Work Hard and Never Give up' are evident in all areas of school life.





Topics



- Our topics this year are:
- Travels Around Greece / Ancient Greece
- Our Natural World
- Travels Around The Americas / The Maya Civilisations

Trips

- In school we try to provide the children with as many exciting and enriching opportunities as possible.
- Throughout the year we hope to be able to plan in a couple of school trips to enhance the children's learning experiences.
- These are heavily subsidised by the school but we do require parental contributions.
- Last year the children raised funds to be able to participate in a Mayan workshop ran by an archaeologist.

Coming Soon: Medical Tracker



- Record and track first aid incidents
- Record and track medication administration
- When necessary, parents/carers will be notified of first aid incidents by email
- Email notification when medication, for example inhalers, are nearly out of date and need replacing