

# Welcome to Year 5

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# Who's who in Year 5



**Mrs Dodd**



**Mrs Porter**



**Miss  
Ludgate**



**Mrs  
Hopwood**



**Mrs  
Whitfield**



**Miss Skinner**



School days  
in a year

190

# Attendance

Every Child in Every Day

Non-School  
days in a year

175

*(Please take holidays or make  
appointments during this time)*

We expect every child to attend **every day**, arriving at school **on time** and **remaining in school for the full school day**.

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.

Please check the **Attendance and Punctuality** leaflet and the **'Is my child too ill for school?'** leaflet for more information and advice.



School success starts  
with attendance

# Attendance

MAKE SURE YOUR CHILD  
IS IN SCHOOL EVERY DAY.

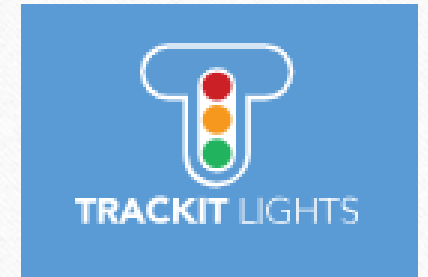
- The school day for Year 5 is currently 8.45am – 3.15pm

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

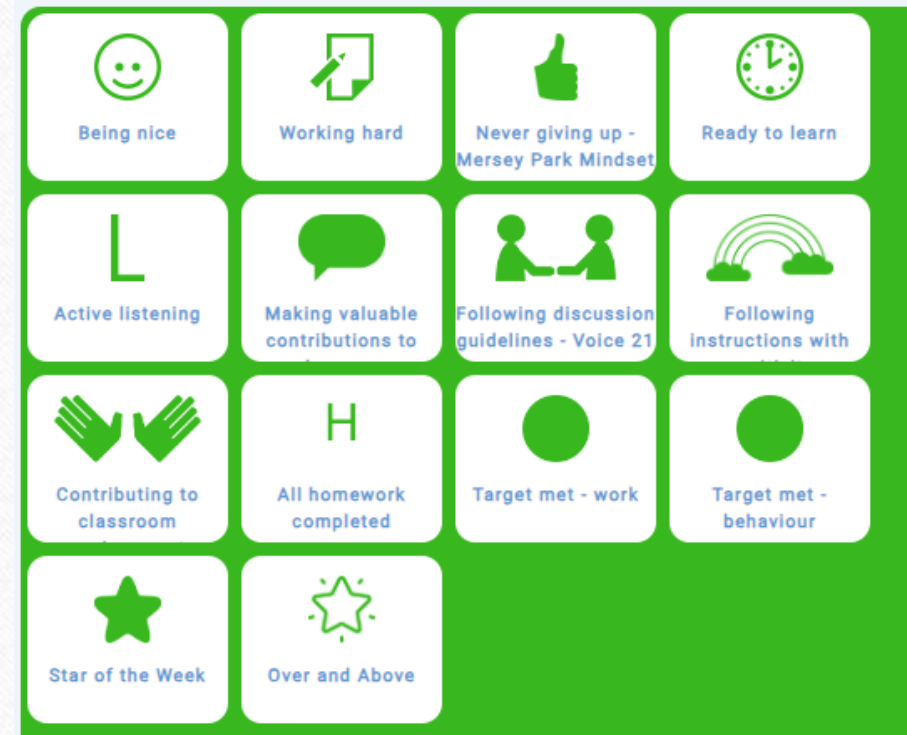




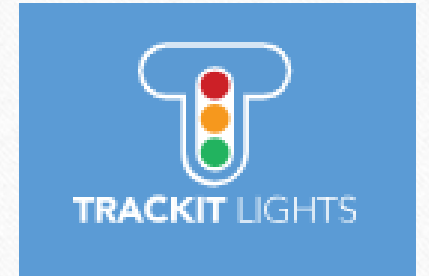
# Trackit Lights



- Online behaviour recording system.
- Staff are able to immediately acknowledge positive behaviours.
- Every positive behaviour has a value.
- The points are totalled and certificates are earned.
- Parents will receive notification via the app that a certificate has been earned.



# Trackit Lights



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- Negative behaviours are also recorded discretely.
  - Incidents of unacceptable behaviour that result in a pupil losing some of their lunchtime will be recorded and parents will receive an instant notification.

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# Homework

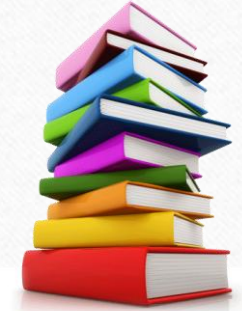
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- Homework will consist of 10 spellings, a reading comprehension and maths questions linked to work completed that week.
- Homework should be completed to a high standard and in pencil.
- 5D - Homework goes home on a Friday and is expected to be returned by the following Tuesday.
- 5L & 5P Homework goes home on a Monday and is expected to be returned on a Thursday.





# 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 every night.
- Reading records must be brought into school **every 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 lessons are on a Tuesday.

# 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

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- 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



# Our School Website

## How do I find out about what my child is learning?

- Pupil pages provide information about what they will be learning
- Parent – What is my child learning? Contains long term and half term overviews
- Curriculum pages have a wealth of information and pictures about what your child will be learning in each of the subject areas

The screenshot displays the Mersey Park Primary School website. The top navigation bar includes links for Home, About, Key Information, Pupils, Parents, Safeguarding, and Curriculum. The main content area features a section titled 'Be Nice', 'Work Hard' and 'Never Give Up' with a photo of Mrs. Thomas, the Headteacher, and a quote: "Pupils thrive at Mersey Park – their achievements and personal development are outstanding." Below this is a section titled 'What is my child learning?' which includes a 'Curriculum Overview' and a 'Curriculum Intent Statement'. The 'Curriculum Intent Statement' outlines the school's aim to provide opportunities for children to become independent, confident learners with high aspirations. A sidebar on the right lists various subject areas: Art and Design, Computing & e-Safety, Design and Technology, English, Phonics, Poetry, Reading, Writing, Speaking and Listening, SMSC, Mathematics, Music, Physical Education, Religious Education, Science, PSHE, History, Geography, and Spanish.





## History and Geography Topics



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

# Trips

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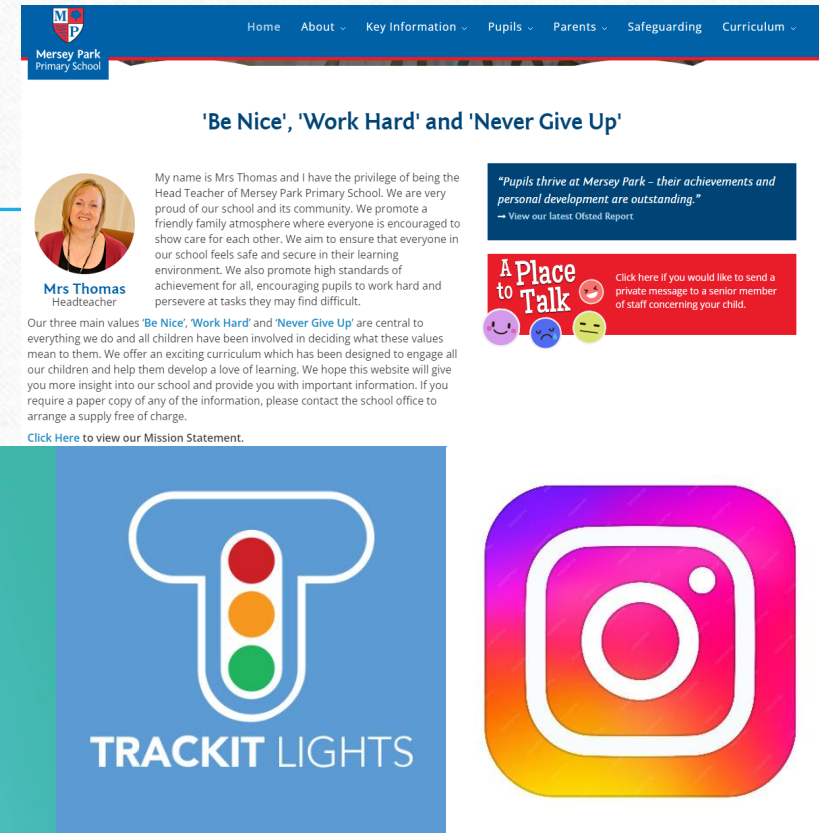
- In school we try to provide the children with as many exciting and enriching opportunities as possible.
- Throughout the year we hope to be able to plan in a couple of school trips to enhance the children's learning experiences.
- These are heavily subsidised by the school but we do require parental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



# Communication

## How do I find out about what is happening in school?

- Our School Website
- Parent App
- Trackit Lights
- Medical Tracker
- Instagram page



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Mersey Park Primary School

Home About Key Information Pupils Parents Safeguarding Curriculum

### 'Be Nice', 'Work Hard' and 'Never Give Up'

**Mrs Thomas**  
Headteacher

My name is Mrs Thomas and I have the privilege of being the Head Teacher of Mersey Park Primary School. We are very proud of our school and its community. We promote a friendly family atmosphere where everyone is encouraged to show care for each other. We aim to ensure that everyone in our school feels safe and secure in their learning environment. We also promote high standards of achievement for all, encouraging pupils to work hard and persevere at tasks they may find difficult.


Our three main values 'Be Nice', 'Work Hard' and 'Never Give Up' are central to everything we do and all children have been involved in deciding what these values mean to them. We offer an exciting curriculum which has been designed to engage all our children and help them develop a love of learning. We hope this website will give you more insight into our school and provide you with important information. If you require a paper copy of any of the information, please contact the school office to arrange a supply free of charge.

[Click Here to view our Mission Statement.](#)

*"Pupils thrive at Mersey Park – their achievements and personal development are outstanding."*  
→ View our latest Ofsted Report

**A Place to Talk**  
Click here if you would like to send a private message to a senior member of staff concerning your child.

**TRACKIT LIGHTS**



# 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





# 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](http://familytoolbox.co.uk)
- **My Family Coach** also provides expert support for every parenting challenge - [myfamilycoach.com](http://myfamilycoach.com)