



New Beginnings - 2017

As your child is now ready to move into their next year group, we thought that you might want to have a little information to help to prepare both you and them for an exciting and settled start to the Autumn Term in September. We hope that you will find this helpful and informative.

- Your new team are: Miss Walton (English lead), Mrs Clarke (mathematics lead), Miss Griffiths (TA)
- Please ensure that every item of clothing is named and that bags are too.
- We would prefer it if children bring their reading books in a school book bag as opposed to a big rucksack, as our cloak room is tiny and fitting in coats and PE bags and then other bags is really difficult. School book bags can be kept safely in children's drawers.
- Named water bottles (clear ones please) can be carried in and then they are stored in boxes in the classroom.
- Remember to bring your PE kit and reading book in on the first day back.
- Our PE days are Thursday (outdoors) and Tuesday (indoors).
- Spelling and maths challenges are on the website for you to practise.
- Maths challenges will be on Fridays, spelling challenge dates will be on the half termly newsletters.
- Reading books will be changed at least once per week and your child will also bring a library book home to read.
- Education City and My Maths home learning will usually be set every two weeks.
- Year 5 leave school via the doors opposite the school office. Please wait for them outside of this area on the main playground and keep an eye out for them as they will come to you when they see you.
- Please let the office or a member of the Senior Team (on the gate) know if someone different is picking your child up - their safety at all times is most important to us.
- When dropping off your child in the morning, you must accompany your child to the top gate as we cannot take responsibility for them until they come through the gate where a member of the Senior Team will be on duty.

Summer Home Learning

Our focus for the Autumn term is Tudor explorers, we would like the children to research interesting facts about Christopher Columbus. Where did he explore? Why did he want to be an explorer? Where did he live? When was he born? Where was he born?

We would also love all children to learn their times tables and tell the time on an analogue clock face. A brilliant website for practising your mathematics is

[www.interactive-resources.co.uk](http://www.interactive-resources.co.uk)

username – Year5 MP

Password – Charlie5

Dates for diaries

5<sup>th</sup> September - children return to school.

13<sup>th</sup> September - Y4,5,6 drop in for your child to show you their new classroom and meet staff - 3-4pm.

13<sup>th</sup> September - Roald Dahl Dress-up Day fundraiser. **Theme: an animal from a Roald Dahl book or poem.**

28<sup>th</sup> September - school photograph day

1<sup>st</sup> December - Christmas Fayre - 3pm

12<sup>th</sup> December - Y5/6 Carol concert