



Class 5
Years 5 & 6
Dinting Church of England (VA) Primary School
SK13 6NX

Friday 8th September 2023

Dear Parents,

Welcome to another school year and to Years 5 and 6. This letter is to outline the class routines for the coming year.

Monday

All the children will receive their spellings today. They will be on a sheet which the children will bring home. If school is closed on a Monday, the spellings will go home the next day. The only time spellings are not set are the last week of term in December and July.

The children in Year 5 will normally go swimming today. Swimming starts on the 18th September. You will receive a separate letter about this.

Tuesday

Homework will be given out today. Later on in the school year, the children in Year 6 will receive their SATs homework books. A separate letter will go out when we start to use the SATs homework books. PE will take today when swimming is not.

Wednesday

All children will need to have their PE kit in school for today.

Friday

Completed homework should be returned on this day or earlier. Children will have a spelling test today. As part of their registration work, the children will develop their fluency in maths as well as using the four operations (+, -, x, ÷). All Year 5 children will take part in the Wider Opportunities Music project led by Derbyshire Music Hub. You will be informed when this starts. When the Year 5 children are having their music lesson the Year 6 children will have a PE lesson

PE Lessons

All children will have two PE lessons each week. PE kits should consist of plain white t-shirt, black / navy shorts and pumps. For inside PE lessons either pumps or bare feet. **Trainers are not acceptable for inside PE** but are acceptable for outside. In exceptional circumstances children will be excused from taking part in a PE lesson; **please email school the school office info@dinting.derbyshire.sch.uk** (if a child is well enough for school and playing out at playtime/dinnertimes they are assumed to be well enough for PE). Long term exemption must be accompanied by a doctor's letter.

Outdoor PE kit should consist of plain white t-shirt, black / navy shorts and pumps or trainers. Plain tracksuit / jogging bottoms are also acceptable. Fashion clothing is not permitted. All jewellery must be removed before all PE lessons. The children may also wear a school hoody for outside PE.

Reading Books

We try to update the books we have in school library however this is not always possible. In addition to the new books we have in the class reading area, the children are very welcome to bring in appropriate books to read in school that will develop their enjoyment of reading, reading fluency and understanding of what they have read. We are fortunate, that in addition to the whole class guided reading sessions we have two volunteers (Mrs Jones and Mrs Gurney) who hear the children read. Guided reading takes place in class daily.

Secondary School Open Evenings

Over the next few weeks most secondary schools and academies will be holding their open events which are usually for parents in both Years 5 and 6. Year 6 applications for secondary school need to be completed by the 31st October. Application for a secondary school is through the local education authority (Derbyshire County Council for Derbyshire residents).

End of Key Stage 2 Assessments (Year 6 Only)

The end of Key Stage 2 Assessments (SATs) take place between Monday 13th May to Friday 17th May 2024. You will receive more information about the SATs in January 2024.

Equipment

The children may bring their own pencil case into school as long as it will fit in their tray. If a pencil case does not fit into their tray it is too big to be in school.

Home times and Mobile Phones

For some Year 6 and Year 5 children, their parents allow them to leave school at the end of the day without an adult - known as walking home on their own. If and when you feel this is appropriate, please email the school office granting your permission so that a copy can be included onto your child's record. To ensure the safety of the children, your child will not be allowed to leave without permission. Mobile phones are to remain switched off while the children are on the school site. Mobile phones should only be brought if needed for travel to and from school by unaccompanied children and are done so at the parent's own risk.

Mrs Czartowski (know as Mrs C), Miss G and I look forward to working with you once more this year.

Yours sincerely,

Mr Wilson
Class Teacher

Mrs Czartowski
Teaching Assistant

Miss Gaprindashvili
Teaching Assistant