



## Reminders:

- PE days are Mondays & Fridays, though we ask that children bring in their P.E. kit at the start of each half term, and leave it in school. A gentle reminder P.E. shorts are now red.
- Children should have their Book Bags in school every day.
- Children can bring fresh fruit/vegetables or toast for their snack.
- Correct uniform must be worn throughout the year. This excludes the use of jewellery, trainers and nail varnish, which must not be worn in school. See website.
- Please make sure that you are reading 3 times a week.

# Year 5 Newsletter

Autumn Term 1

Newsletter Date: 16/09/16

## Welcome

We would like to extend our welcome to the new children and parents of Year 5. The staff have been thoroughly impressed with the children's effort thus far. They have settled in well and are working hard.

## Our Learning

This half term, we will be investigating the Native Americans through aspects of Geography, History, D.T, Science and Writing. Any further research of learning that could take place at home surrounding the topic of the Native Americans will support and further develop your child's learning and enjoyment for this half term. Therefore, we greatly encourage you to do so! Children will also enjoy weekly Spanish lessons taught by a specialist.

Please see the attached leaflet for the Year Group's Reading, Writing and Maths targets for this half term, which link to the Year 5 Age-Related expectations.

## Library Visits

Throughout Year 5, we will be visiting Westbrook Library. If children have library cards, it would be great if they could keep them in their book bags. For pupils who are not members, they will have the opportunity to check out a book on the class' card and enjoy in the classroom.

## Homework:

Homework will be handed out on Fridays, and will be due in by the following Wednesday (at the latest). Weekly homework will include:

- **Reading:** Read at least three times a week. An adult must sign your planner each time that you do so.
- **Writing:** English will include either: a short grammar activity, sentence level work, or a short piece of writing.
- **Maths:** This will involve completing either a mental maths quiz, or a maths activity linked to the week's learning.
- **Spelling:** Children will be tested each week on a dictated passage that they should practise and complete at home.