



## Welcome back to Falcon Junior School

Welcome back to Falcon Junior School! The Year 5 team are looking forward to working closely with you throughout the year to ensure your child has a happy and successful year.

There are four Year 5 classes:

Class	Teaching Staff	Teaching Assistants
Goldfinches	Mrs Austin	Mrs Gregson Mrs Whitmore (am)
Firecrests	Miss Marpole (Mon) Mrs Farrell (Tues – Fri)	Mrs Saville
Swifts	Miss Riches	Mrs Butterfield
Bitterns	Miss Jenkins	Mrs Ross Miss James

### P.E and Games

On both PE and Games days, children should come to school in their PE/Games kits and will remain in them for the whole day due to the current situation. We will be running a 2-week timetable with PE where during week 1 Year 5 will have 2 PE lessons and a games lesson. During week 2, they will just have 1 games lesson. Week commencing 14<sup>th</sup> September is week 2.

Goldfinches – Monday and Friday

Bitterns – Monday and Thursday

Firecrests – Tuesday and Friday

Swifts – Monday and Tuesday

Year group Games afternoon – Wednesday

### Home Learning

We will be moving towards issuing homework using Google Classroom this year to reduce the amount of paper being sent home. We will be guiding the children with how to access this during ICT lessons. As well as Google Classroom, we will be using Sumdog and TTRockstars to set homework which is monitored remotely by the class teacher.

**Spellings** given Monday and tested on Friday.

**Maths** given Friday due in on Tuesday.

**Literacy** given Monday due on Friday.

**Reading** at least 3 times a week. Reading log to be checked weekly.

### Home/School Communication

Due to current COVID arrangements, communication will be different. Please email or phone the office in the first instance if you need to contact the class teacher. However, Year 5 offer a communication system called Class Dojo. An invite for this will be sent home with your child and we would encourage you to register as this offers a messaging system direct to the class teacher and we are able to share information and photos of what is happening in school.

We hope the information we have provided in this letter will answer most of the questions you may have at this stage of the term. Due to the current visitor restrictions to the school site, if you do have further questions or concerns, please contact us via email, Dojo or by booking an appointment via the school office.

We look forward to working closely with you and your child this year.

The Year 5 Team

# Year 5 Curriculum - Autumn 1st Half Term

	The children will be learning...
<b>Topic</b>	Anglo Saxons and Vikings – settlement, lifestyle, beliefs and housing.
<b>Literacy</b>	Here We Are by Oliver Jeffers. Cosmic by Frank Cottrell-Boyce – character profiles, informal writing and poetry. Grammar: sentence structure, word class.
<b>Numeracy</b>	Place value, addition and subtraction, multiplication and problem solving.
<b>Science</b>	Space – planets and their movement in our solar system and phases of the moon.
<b>Computing</b>	E-Safety, Google Classroom, internet researching skills and word processing skills.
<b>R.E.</b>	Philosophy – Is it possible for something to always be right (or wrong)? – multi-faith.
<b>P.E.</b>	P.E. - Circuit training. Games – athletics and hockey.
<b>Music</b>	Evaluating and appreciating music.
<b>Art and DT</b>	Sketching skills.
<b>French</b>	Describing people and nationalities.
<b>PSHE</b>	Getting Started – classroom rules, co-operative learning, the golden rule and understanding feelings.

## Key Dates

- Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> September – Individual Photographs
- Half term -26<sup>th</sup> October to 1<sup>st</sup> November
- Parents Evenings???

ANYTHING TO ADD??

## General information

The children have settled in well to Year 5 and are already stepping up to the expectations and challenges provided.