



April 2018

Dear parent/carer

We hope you have had a restful and enjoyable Easter break.

A reminder that high standards are set in all areas, especially behaviour, academic work and appearance, with consideration for others being a key element in our Church School. School uniform is an important aspect of gaining a sense of pride and we do ask parents to ensure that all pupils are correctly attired for school and that children have appropriate PE kit in school and available all week.

Over the next term, Year 5 working on the topics of Ancient Greece and Berkhamsted: a local study. During these units we will be focusing on History and Geography.

**In History, we'll be:**

- Finding out about aspects of the past from a range of sources.
- Investigating Ancient Greece, Greek life, their achievements and influence on the western world.
- Developing a chronologically secure knowledge and understanding of world history.

**In Geography, we'll be:**

- Comparing similarities and differences between localities.
- Learning about physical and human features in a village.
- Investigating how people affect the environment.

Children will be reading, researching, writing, illustrating, and working independently and in groups. We will be checking to see how well your child has learned through directed activities and asking children to explain their work.

This term, Year 5 will be taking part in an Ancient Greek day run by the Year 5 team. The date will be confirmed nearer the time. Children will dress up and take part in several fun activities. We are also hoping for some good weather to enable us to visit Berkhamsted Castle.

5SW will continue their swimming lessons as part of the PE programme of study. This will take place at Sportspace on Tuesday afternoons. Please ensure your child has the correct kit for these days. The date of the last swimming lesson is Tuesday 5 June 2018.

Forthcoming events

Year 5 Production: Wednesday 2 May (afternoon) and Thursday 3 May (evening).

Sports Day: Thursday 28 June (Reserve day Friday 29 June).

You will receive your child's annual report in July and it will be followed by an opportunity to discuss this with the class teacher.

As this is the last term in Year 5, we will be working with the children to encourage a greater level of independence and responsibility, in order to prepare them for the transition into Year 6.

Should you have any questions or wish to discuss any particular needs, please do not hesitate to contact the school or via the pupil contact book (planner).

Yours sincerely

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