

Dear Parent,

Welcome back to a new term. This letter includes some additional information for parents and pupils.

The Year 5/6 class is taught by Mrs. Powell (Monday to Thursday) and Mrs. Greening. Mr. Williams and Mrs. Huge will be teaching the class and groups during the week.

Homework will be set regularly (normally Mon – spelling, Wed – Maths) in the form of Maths, Spelling, English, tables/mental arithmetic, research work or reading. In addition, 'Takeaway Homework' tasks will be set which are more open ended and research type tasks. These are all an important aspect of learning and an opportunity to develop and consolidate skills acquired in the classroom. At the present time all homework will be sent online (see below).

Google Classroom (Hwb) will form a very important part of our learning through independent learning / flipped teaching so pupils will need access to a laptop/device and use their Hwb usernames and passwords. Google Classroom will be the preferred learning platform. It is especially important to establish this online contact with pupils in the event that circumstances change.

Our topics this term:

Roses & Royals - Pupils will carry out studies on how the Tudor dynasty began, the Tudor kings and queens of the period and research into how the Tudors lived. Welsh history and culture - A small unit of work on Welsh culture and history - St Dwynwen, St David and the Urdd.

Wellbeing/Outdoor Learning – Mindfulness/general wellbeing sessions and outdoor learning challenges to develop skills.

Mathematics this term we will be consolidating number work in multiplication and division. We will also be covering fractions, decimals percentages and data handling.

P.E. kits – Could children please come to school in their PE kits on Fridays (alternate Wednesdays also for rugby sessions).

P.E. kit – white/pale blue t-shirt, navy/grey/black shorts or joggers and sweatshirt, trainers, sports bag, water bottle (all items clearly named). **Reading books** Pupils will be given a reading book and record book which will remain in school for the time being. These will be monitored weekly and changed as required. This includes pupils who may now be on free reading books as their reading progress will be tracked and assessed.

Thank you / Diolch yn fawr

Mrs. Powell, Mrs. Greening, Mrs. Huge & Mr. Williams.