Welcome to Year 5



Information Session for Parents and Carers Wednesday 11th September www.morley.cambs.sch.uk

In Year 5 we are:

Amethyst Class: Mr Brown Indigo Class: Ms Griffiths

Both classes are covered for PPA by Ms Simpson, and also by Ms Moss in Amethyst

Teaching Assistant Team: Ms Lilley and Mr Nash

Welcome to Year 5



Topics this year:

- Autumn 1 British Civil Rights, Shakespeare
- Autumn 2 Shakespeare, Space
- Spring 1 Space
- Spring 2 Rainforest
- Summer 1 Victorian Cambridge
- Summer 2 Vikings

Financial assistance may be available for trips/visits, please speak to the class teacher in the first instance.



Save the date

Box office opens: Wednesday 18th September Performance: Monday 25th November

Every Day Attendance

- Children arrive at school at 8:40, ready to come into school at 8:45 when the gates will be closed. Teachers take the register at 8:45.
- Punctual arrival is important, as teaching starts promptly - aim for 100% attendance! Did you know...?

95%	=	47 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR 8 days in total or 1 week and 3 days
90%	=	95 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR 16 days in total or 3 weeks and 1 day
85%	=	142 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR 24 days in total or 4 weeks and 4 days
80%	=	190 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR 32 days in total or 6 weeks and 2 days

Every Day Attendance

- Please inform the School Office if your child is unwell on the morning of the illness (email or phone message).
- Any medication must be in the original packaging, in a named bag and handed in to the Office - there is a form to complete.
- 48 hours is needed before returning to school following diarrhoea and/or vomiting.
- Term time absence, other than illness, is only authorised by the Head Teacher in exceptional circumstances - see Attendance Policy on the school website.

Asthma & Allergies

- Please do not send in nuts or nut products (including Nutella type spreads) as part of snacks or packed lunches - we have a number of children and staff with life-threatening allergies.
- Inhalers & spacers should be named and in a bag (for hygiene reasons). They are kept in a central place in class. An asthma card must be completed.
- Epi-pens should be in date, in a named container and handed to the School Office with the protocol.
- It is the parent/carer's responsibility to ensure inhalers and auto-injectors are in date and in school.

See our Medicines in School policy on the school website

Year 5 Essentials: Every Day

- Water bottles should be brought into school daily. Children can refill them in school as needed and must take them home to clean at the end of the day - water only please, no squash, juice or fizzy drinks.
- Clothing suitable for the weather and activities:
 coat (hats & gloves in winter) and sensible shoes for outdoor playtimes (especially for Forest School).
- Reading book & Reading Record DAILY!

Year 5 Essentials: Every Day

Please do not bring in:

- Pencil cases all stationery is provided.
- Toys, including collector cards.
- Jewellery (small studs only for pierced ears).

KS2 -no sugary snacks, fizzy drinks or sweets - healthier snacks for break time please .

Children in Year 5 bring a PE kit and change before PE then go home in their PE kit with their normal clothes

PE Kit should be named, in a bag, in school and taken home to wash! Our PE days are on: Monday and Wednesday Children will need to bring in:

- A white t-shirt (dark blue jumper in cold weather)
- Black/dark blue shorts (joggers for cold weather)

Trainers or plimsolls (check size regularly)
Long hair must be tied back, so come prepared with a hair band in kits. Jewellery should not be worn in PE sessions. Stud earrings will either need to be taken out or taped up for PE lessons. It is the children's responsibility to organise this.

Year 5 General



Letters and notices:

Most information will be via ParentMail. Please sign up if you have not already done so. Check the weekly newsletter for key information and the class page on the website for general year group information.

Birthdays:

No sweets please

Year 5 Essentials: Helping at Home

At Morley Memorial Primary School we see home learning as an opportunity for children to practise skills, develop independence, consolidate and reinforce learning and as an avenue for children to pursue interests and be creative.

Home learning also provides unique opportunities for family learning and collaboration.

Please support your child to complete tasks in their own way in order that they develop our positive learning dispositions at home and at school:

Motivation Curiosity Courage

Collaboration Resilience Reflection

Year 5 Essentials: Helping at Home

We believe every child has the right to a childhood, opportunities to play and explore and time to develop their talents and interests. We therefore try to keep home learning to a level which allows an appropriate balance.

We will assign home learning where there will be benefits to children's learning rather than to fulfill an expectation of a particular number of hours a week. This approach we believe promotes effective home learning with activities which are meaningful and increase children's engagement and achievement.

Having said this, frequent (daily) reading and practice of number facts is crucial if children are to make good progress and develop key, basic skills.



Year 5 Essentials: Home Learning

In Year 5, our Home Learning tasks will always include:

 Regular (daily) reading(remember the Reading Record book!), Spelling Frame, TT Rockstars

Set activities on Google classroom will include

- Maths fluency practice
- Grammar practice
- Preparation or pre-learning for a topic

(all consolidation and revision activities based on what has been learnt in class.)

Home learning is always designed to be **independent**, **manageable and short**. Children have a limited attention span, so short and often is always best. As children get older, they will be expected to complete more homework and we will be trying to prepare them for this.

Year 5 Essentials: Home Learning

Home learning in KS2 can also sometimes include tasks such as:

- Independent research about a topic or aspect of in-school learning
- Creating presentations or using JamBoards for group work

Google Classroom & E-Safety

Home Learning information and tasks are shared via Google Classroom.



Classroom

In Year 5 Home learning will be **shared on Fridays and** due Wednesdays.

Google Classroom provides great opportunities for collaborative learning and the sharing of online information. However, online activity presents its own challenges and issues. Please ensure children are supervised appropriately while working online, and that their interactions online are respectful of others and appropriate to the task.

If you, as a parent or carer, need to contact the teacher please email the school office in the usual way.

Please see the e-safety information on our school website: www.morley.cambs.sch.uk/e-safety-for-parents/

Thank you for all your support!

Home/school communication is key to children's success: when children know that all adults around them are working together with the same aims then they feel secure and are more likely to succeed.



- General questions?
- For individual queries please contact the office to make an appointment.

Finally - Links on the website:

- Link to this presentation (by the end of the week)
- Maths, Reading and Writing Age Related Expectations (Target Tracker)
- Year ³/₄ and [%] spelling lists
- Penpals cursive handwriting example
- Curriculum Descriptors (summary of termly topics)

THANK YOU!