

## Welcome Back!

Thank you so much for the cards and gifts, I hope you all had a peaceful and happy holiday.



## Year 5

## Spring Term 2017

## What will we be doing this term?

Tomorrow is the first blank page of a 365 page book. Write a good one.

— Brad Paisley

### Your child will need:

Blue handwriting pen and a pencil - please ensure that these are brought in daily

### Names on clothes

Even though your children are getting older, names on clothes are still needed! Please ensure that clothes are labelled clearly. This helps us return them to their owners— **May I please also ask you to remind your child to bring kit back in after using them for clubs**

I do hope that your child has enjoyed their first term in Year Five— It's gone so quickly!

If you have any concerns, please do not hesitate to come and discuss them. I look forward to working with you over the coming term.

Kind regards  
Emma Read

I hope you have all had a restful break and although it didn't seem so long this time, it was a welcome distraction! Thank you also for the lovely cards, presents and wishes I received.

### Maths

Please continue to support children with learning their targets and times tables!

### Homework

Homework will be given out on Thursday, and should be returned by the following Monday. There will usually be topic, grammar, maths and talk homework. Spellings will also be given out on Thurs-

day.

As well as weekly homework, children should read for a sustained, quiet period of at least 15 minutes a day.

I will collect reading records in on Mondays to check. Children who do not complete their homework or their reading record may be kept in and asked to return lunch time.

### Topic News!

This half term's topic is going to be 'A Midsummer Night's Dream'

Children will have lots of drama opportunities, which I know the children really enjoy!

The classroom has been decorated as an

enchanted forest and we have lots of fun activities planned!

### Volunteers

If anybody has any spare time and would be willing to come in and hear readers, please call in at the office.

A DBS check would be required which can be arranged at the office.

Many thanks!

### **Our brains are like cars - without fuel they don't work!**

Many children suffer a mid morning 'low' at about 11.15 a.m. This can be overcome by making sure your child has a sensible breakfast before coming to school (or at Breakfast Club) and by eating a healthy snack at break time. They can either bring a piece of fruit to school with them or purchase fruit from the fruit trolley for 20p.

Also, did you know that, by the time you begin to feel thirsty, 20% of your brain power has already shut down? I would rather teach children, whose brains are working at 100%!! So please also try to ensure your child brings a named water bottle to school **every day**.

A lot of children ask to go to use the water fountain, so it really is