

Year 5 Spring Term 2

Dear Parent / Carer,

The children have much to look forward to this term. We will be taking part in a STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) morning at Magdalen School, an Ancient Greek Day at Headington Rye School as well as a trip to the Ashmolean Museum. We also have our Ancient Greek performances to prepare and then share with you.

The structure of the day:

School gates open at 8.40am. Registration will continue to be at 8.50am. Early Work is completed between 8.40 and 9.00am. Year 5 children are expected to wait quietly whilst waiting for the gates to open.

During the morning sessions, English, Maths and Reading will be taught, as well as a daily assembly or collective worship (10.10 - 10.30). **Year 5 break is 10.45 to 11.00.**

Lunch time is from 12.00 - 1.00, during which time the children will eat their lunch in the canteen and have time to socialise and interact with friends on the playground. They can choose to bring a packed lunch or order a school lunch.

In the afternoon, we will learn our foundation subjects.

The school day ends at 3.20pm and children will leave through the side door in the same way they arrived.

Mondays to Fridays, excluding Tuesday afternoons and Thursday mornings, will be taught by Mr Chamier-Williams.

Tuesday afternoons will be taught by Ms Marsden. On a Thursday morning, Ms Davies will teach Science and RE.

Day to day arrangements:

Stationery (pens, pencils, rulers, rubbers etc.) and equipment (P.E., Science & Art equipment, Atlases and Dictionaries etc.) will be provided, as well as laptops to use in school.

Outdoor PE will continue to take place on a Monday afternoon and Indoor PE will take place on a Wednesday afternoon. Our allocated Library time is on Tuesday afternoon. Children will also be able to change library books in the lunch break.

Homework

As the children will need to learn their parts for the performance, they will only be set one maths assignment each week. There will be no SPAG assignment. The children are expected to read daily.

What to bring:

- A packed lunch, unless they are ordering lunch from the school
- A water bottle (which can then be kept in school)
- A coat
- Library book
- A PE kit as per the school uniform requirements, for use on Monday (outdoor) and Wednesday (indoor)

Key dates this term

- STEM (Science Technology Engineering and Mechanics) session at Magdalen College School. Wednesday 4th March (9.30 -12.00). The children will have lunch when they return to school. There are no costs associated with this trip.
- World Book Day. Thursday 6th March.
- Ancient Greek Day at Headington and Rye School. Wednesday 11th March (9.30 – 3.00). Lunch will be provided by Headington Rye School but you are welcome to provide a packed lunch if you do not wish to take this offer. There are no costs associated with this trip.
- Ashmolean Museum trip to take part in an Ancient Greek session. Friday 13th (March 9.30 – 2.00). Further details will soon be shared. A packed lunch will be required for this trip. A voluntary contribution will also be appreciated.
- Ancient Greek performance. Wednesday 18th March (6.30pm – 7.15pm). Children to arrive at 6.00pm.
- Easter service at St Andrew's Church. Tuesday 24th March (10-11.30).
- Parent evenings. Wednesday 25th and Thursday 26th March.

Please contact the school office if you need to communicate with Year 5 staff or to report any absence or medical / school visit appointments. I will be around at pick up - if you need a few minutes to chat; a longer appointment can be arranged through the office. Class Dojo will continue to be used as a means of posting photos of events in class and for sharing weekly homework.

Best wishes,

Mr Chamier-Williams, Mrs Johnson, Ms Davies, Mrs Magill and Ms Marsden