

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to a new term at Mayfield. We hope it will be a very happy and successful year for your child in Year 5.

In this letter we aim to give you an indication of what your child will be covering in the curriculum, as well as other information, which we hope you will find useful.

Autumn Curriculum

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2
English	Myths and Legends (Beowulf)	Poetry Recounts Dilemma stories (WW1 links)
Maths	Y4 Place Value Y5 Place Value Addition and Subtraction	Addition and subtraction Measurement including perimeter
Science	Forces	Materials
History	Anglo Saxons	WW1
R.E.	Big Questions and developing RE skills	
OUTDOOR P.E.	Korfball	Football
INDOOR PE	Gymnastics	Dance
P.S.H.E	Beginning and belonging Anti-bullying Working together	
Art/DT	Topic based activities	
French	Unit 1 Salut Gustave!	Unit 2 À l'école
Out and About	A range of outdoor activities that change weekly.	

Water bottles: All children should bring a water bottle to school. It should then be left in class and taken home in home daily or on a Friday to be washed and refilled.

Indoor shoes: Children need an indoor and outdoor pair of shoes with them at school. Sensible slippers may be worn as indoor shoes. These will be left in the cloakroom at the end of the day (for cleaning purposes).

PE: PE lessons are on **Tuesday** (Indoor) and **Thursday** (Outdoor) afternoons. Hormones start to kick in, in Y5 so we would encourage your child to have a roll-on deodorant in their bag for personal hygiene.

*if your child comes to school in their kit on a Thursday, they will need to bring their school uniform to change into.

Homework: Your child will be given a red homework book this Friday and this will STAY AT HOME. We will post the Maths KIRF and a weekly reading task on Seesaw. Your child is expected to complete the tasks and upload their work to Seesaw, by the following **Wednesday**. If they are unable to do this, they can return their book to school to be marked. Do assist your child if necessary but without doing the work for them! It is also vital to read with your child on a regular basis this could involve you reading to them as well as them reading to you.

The children are expected to read as much and as often as they can and are to spend no longer than **15 minutes** per task.

Medication: Please be aware of the following:

Medication in School

If it is absolutely necessary for your child to be given a dose of antibiotics etc during the school day please take note of the following:

- ALL medication coming in to school must be clearly labelled with the child's name and dose (pharmacist's label if prescription medicine)
- You must also send in written permission and details of what time the medicine is to be given.
- All medicine to be handed in at the office.
- Your child should be instructed to go to the first aid room when their medication is due.

If your child needs an Asthma inhaler, this should be kept in the new pink tray in class.

Playtime

Children are allowed to bring in **fruit or vegetable** for break times. We are now back to a relatively 'normal' timetable and so there is not such a big gap between break and lunch.

Independence:

Now that the children are in Y5, they are encouraged to have more independence at the end of the day. We are currently updating our 'Travelling to school' policy. In the meantime, if you wish for your child to walk home by themselves, please email your child's class teacher to confirm this. It is really lovely to see you in the school grounds again.

Uniform: Children are encouraged to wear school colours (grey, blue or white).

Other school rules:

No neck scarves are to be worn IN school- these are fine for outside but must be removed once inside.

Long hair is to be tied back.

Earrings: Studs are the preference for earrings. Children should be able to remove these themselves for their PE lessons. If not, activities within lessons will be adapted.

As you can see, we have a busy and interesting term ahead of us! We are very much looking forward to working with you and your child.

If you have any immediate concerns about your child we are happy to discuss these with you, please email the office at office@mayfield.cambs.sch.uk or feel free to contact us directly at remery@mayfield.cambs.sch.uk and kmartin@mayfield.cambs.sch.uk .We will endeavor to reply when it is most convenient.

Yours sincerely,

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