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Swallowfield Primary

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Thursday 6th September 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to our fantastic new building. We are very excited about. Our new classrooms and are looking forward to some exciting activities and learning in Year 5.

Below you will find some key information which hopefully will answer any questions that you may have concerning the coming weeks and the Autumn term.

YEAR 5 START/FINISH TIMES

Year 5 School Hours: 8.45am - 3.15pm.

School will finish at 3.15pm and children will be released from their classrooms.

If you are happy for your child to walk to or from school, please email your child's class teacher to advise them of your consent.

We do understand that for peace of mind your child may want to bring a phone to School – this is allowed but phones must be switched off and given to the class teacher each morning for safekeeping.

PLEASE NOTE: that the new park gate is not ready yet so we would like all Y5s to enter the school through the main school gate into the playground.

This year Mrs Woodman and Ms Sharpe are the Year 5 teachers, and we are supported by Mrs Scouller and Mrs Miller. We also welcome Mrs Mitchell and Mrs Crabbe who are new Cover Supervisors. We are excited to be working together to support and challenge your children as they continue their KS2 journey at Swallowfield.

Our History topic this half term is the Vikings and we will be learning about Earth and Space in Science. We are busy planning lots of exciting activities for the children. Details of all our planned learning for this term are attached along with this letter. You will also find copies of our medium-term plans, knowledge organisers for specific subjects and example timetables on the school website and in Google Classrooms.

PE and Swimming

PE is scheduled for **Wednesday** in Year 5. Please ensure that your child comes to school in weather appropriate PE kit and trainers on this day. Further details regarding PE and Swimming kit can be found on the school website.

Swimming is scheduled for **Tuesday** in Rowan Class (Y5S) and Wednesday in Maple Class (Y5W). Please ensure your child brings appropriate swimwear and a towel on this day. Goggles are not permitted unless your child has a medical reason for wearing them.

Jewellery and earrings must be removed on PE and Swimming days.



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Homework

Homework will be sent and submitted via Google classrooms. The children will be set 3 pieces of **compulsory** homework each week; Spellings, Maths and a written piece of work designed to support and extend their learning in class. Homework will be posted on Friday afternoons and should be submitted by the following Friday. We will be offering a homework club for Year 5 children to support them in completing their homework and will circulate a Google form for you to sign up to shortly.

Equipment

Please refer to the school website for details of the equipment that the children need to bring to school.

Mobile Phones

Y5s will be allowed to bring mobile phones to school only if they are walking to/from school on their own, but as mentioned above, these **MUST** be handed over to their teacher in the morning. Pupils will not be allowed to access/ use/ view their phones until the school day is over. The mobile phones will be locked away throughout the day.

Communication

Any important or urgent information will continue to be communicated via School Ping. If you need to contact either of the class teachers, please do so via email:

h.woodman@swallowfieldprimary.com

f.sharpe@swallowfieldprimary.com

If you have any urgent matters, please contact the school office 01908 582101

We will be holding a parents' information meeting on Thursday 14th September at 9.00am in the school hall. If you are unable to attend the meeting any information shared will be posted on the school website.

Please let us know if you have any questions or queries and we look forward to working with you.

Yours sincerely

The Year 5 Team.