

WELCOME TO YEAR 5

15th September 2023

YEAR GROUP TEAM

Teachers

- Head of Year 5 Miss Joannou (5J)
 - Mr Saba (5S)
 - Ms Raman (5R)

Teaching assistants

- Miss Morris
- Miss Pizzey



COMMUNICATION

- Class teachers are available at the start and end of every day if you need to hand over any information.
- If you need to discuss anything related to Special Educational Needs and Disabilities, arrange an appointment through the main office to meet with Mrs Forde.
- Should you wish to discuss with Mr Griffin or Miss Ellery any issues you may have, arrange an appointment through the main office.
- schooloffice@purleyoaks.croydon.sch.uk



WEDUC

Please make sure you download the WEDUC App.

You will find a range of information regarding your child/children's learning.

- 1) Parents' evening
- 2) Visit information
- 3) Consent forms
- 4) Dinner menus
- 5) Clubs

https://app.weduc.co.uk/



ANNUAL OVERVIEW

https://www.purleyoaks.croydon.sch.uk/parent-information/curriculum/

- 1) Overview of Year 5
- 2) English and Mathematics
- 3) History and Geography learning organisers



PLANNERS

Planners are a great source of information for parents and students.

Year 5 expectations

Every child should be reading every day. They are responsible for ensuring that they record their reading daily. Every week their class teacher will assign a task for them to complete regarding their chosen book.

Planners need to be in school every day. Planners will be checked once a week.



HOMEWORK

Homework will be set every Friday on Google Classroom. It will include a maths arithmetic test, a reading comprehension and a spelling rule with example words for the children to learn and practice ahead of their spelling tests on Wednesdays.

Links to websites children can use:

TTRockstars
Hit the button
Daily 10
Busy things
LGFL



PE

- 5J = Thursday and Friday
- 5S = Wednesday and Friday
- 5R = Wednesday and Thursday

These dates will change every half term. You will be notified of the changes. Children should wear their PE kit to school on the days they have PE. They will remain in their kit.

PE KIT:

- Blue shorts (MAPAC)
- Blue PE t-shirt with logo (MAPAC)
- School Jumper/ Cardigan
- Blue jogging bottoms optional for outdoor PE
- Plimsolls or trainers



ATTENDANCE

- Children are expected to be in school every day and on time.
- Data from 2019 shows that 84% of Key Stage 2 pupils who had 100% attendance achieved the expected standard, compared to 40% of pupils who were persistently absent across the key stage.
- Attendance below 96% has a negative impact on learning.



WALKING HOME ALONE/MOBILE PHONES

Year 5 students are permitted to walk home alone.

If you want your child/children to walk home alone you <u>MUST</u> complete a permission form found on WEDUC or through the school office who will then inform the class teacher.

If your child brings in a mobile phone, they <u>MUST</u> ensure it is turned off and away upon entry into the school playground. They will then hand in their mobile to their class teacher to be returned at the end of the school day during dismissal.



ONLINE SAFETY

In your child's planner, there is an acceptable use checklist.

Please be vigilant at home and check what your children are accessing.

In Years 5 and 6, the children tend to have their own phones and use social media with each other. Our behavior expectations remain regardless of where the children are. Any incidents of cyber bullying reported to the school will be dealt with in line with our policy.



Accelerated reader

We are starting a new reading programme across the school

All children will be taking a Star Reader test which will give them a book level and colour.

Children will then select books at this level to bring home in addition to their book from the LRC. These books are 'real books' rather than from a scheme for example they could be The Gruffalo or Matilda depending on the level of the child. There are 180,000 on the programme so lots of choice.

Once they have read the book they will then do an online quiz to show how much they have understood before selecting a new book. They should score 80% and above on the quiz if they have read the book and selected a book at the right level.

More information will be sent out to parents explaining exactly how the programme works.

Children will be expected to be changing books every 2-3 weeks depending on their level. They should read at home every night for 20 minutes.



TRIPS and VISITS

In Year 5, children experience three wonderful trips/visits linked to their learning.

In the Autumn term, students visit The Imperial War Museum in London to extend their history learning on the topic of World War One and World War Two.

In the Spring term, Year 5 welcome a wonderful company 'Portals to the Past' into Purley Oaks to experience a Tudor day. During this day, the children will learn all about Tudor history and life and are invited to dress like a Tudor for the day.

In the Summer term, Year 5 visit The City of London to explore and develop their learning of rivers at our very own River Thames. During their visit, they will enjoy an Uber boat ride enjoying the sights of London.

Other trips may be organised during your child's time in Year 5. You will be informed of any visits local or otherwise by the school office via WEDUC. Please ensure that you have filled out your child's permissions for local walks as these may occur at various times throughout the year.

Clubs

- Sign up for these on WeDuc
- They cost £1 per session
- •There will be a mixture of clubs; sport, academic, baking and music
- •Clubs which are invitation only will be communicated separately



UNIFORM

- •A reminder that children are expected to wear black school shoes daily (other than for PE days).
- Long hair should be tied back.
- Only acceptable jewellery is small studded earrings.
- •If you have any issues, please speak to your class teacher.

