

Monday 11th September 2017

**Dear Parents and Carers,**

We hope you had an enjoyable holiday and we would like to take this opportunity to welcome you to Year 5 and highlight some key information about teaching and learning this term.

### **Reading**

All children should bring their school book folder to school every day and read daily. Please read with your child at least 3 times a week to support their progress and record a comment about their reading in their Reading Record. As in Year 4, we will be encouraging the children to reflect on their reading and write in their Reading Records by themselves to develop their independence.

### **P.E**

The following school PE kit is required by every junior child.

For indoor PE; a white T shirt and well-fitting shorts, leotard or leggings are necessary. These are to be brought to school in a small kit bag and taken home at the end of term to be washed. For outdoor PE, your child will require a suitable pair of trainers and may wish to bring tracksuit bottoms and a long sleeved top during the colder months. This term, Sharman Class will be doing indoor P.E on Thursdays while Jemison Class will be going swimming on Tuesdays. Both classes will have outdoor PE on alternate Tuesdays.

Please ensure all items of kit are named. A school kit bag is available from the office.

### **Home learning**

On Fridays, your child will bring home spellings to learn and a Maths activity will be provided when relevant. It is important that all the children know their multiplication and division facts for all numbers up to 12 x 12. Please practise these with your children at home. A times tables activity will be sent out each week for your child to complete. Your child will be given a grid of different activities they can choose to do at home to support their topic work.

### **The Curriculum**

This term our main topic is Ancient Greece, which will be taught through cross curricular learning in History, Literacy, Computing and Art.

In Maths we are continuing to use the Inspire Singapore maths scheme. More information on this can be found on our website [www.gallionsmount.greenwich.sch.uk](http://www.gallionsmount.greenwich.sch.uk)

Should you have any further queries or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact either of us.

Best wishes,

**Mrs Sonya Potts and Mr Marek Nowakowski**