

Stratton C. of. E. Primary School

Dear Parents,

Welcome to the first term of Year 5! We hope you've all had a fantastic summer break and are excited to get started.

This year we will continue to focus on reading using Accelerated Reader. Children will complete a Star Reading assessment in the first week and this will give them a reading level to use. Children should still be reading for 20 minutes every day. This should generally be done aloud with an adult.

Homework is to be completed on Doodle. Children will be completing baseline assessments independently in school in order to begin their homework at home. Children should be using all 4 areas of Doodle every week with at least 30 minutes of homework in total. If you need any help with Doodle, please don't hesitate to ask one of us for help.

The two PE sessions of the week will be Tuesday and Friday. Children need to come to school in a plain, white or house coloured t-shirt and plain black shorts or black jogging bottoms with trainers. They will then need a school jumper and coat for winter PE lessons as these will often be taking place outside.

Finally, every other week on Fridays (beginning on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> September), Class 5 will spend the afternoon at forest school. They will need to bring their forest school clothes into school to change into on this day. Forest school clothes need to be weather appropriate. This means, children will need a waterproof coat and layers to be warm enough. Children need a change of shoes, ideally wellies or boots. If children do not have long trousers they will be unable to take part in forest school that week.

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind regards,  
Mrs Salter and Miss Thorn