



Guru Nanak Multi Academy Trust Ltd

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Dear Parents/Carers

Year 5 Autumn Class Newsletter

Welcome to Year 5 after a well-earned break. We hope you, your family and friends enjoyed the Summer holidays and that the children are excited to get back to school for further learning. Thank you for helping us to settle your child into Year 5 so quickly. The pupils have all made an excellent start to the year and are already beginning to show all of the great qualities of children in Year 5!

Curriculum Coverage

For your information and so that you can help and support your child at home, please visit our school website to find access to the Year 5 **Curriculum map** for the first two half terms. This includes the coverage for English, Mathematics, Science and the Foundation subjects. We are positive the children will enjoy learning about these topics. You can stay informed of your child's learning through their **Diary**.

One important thing you can do to encourage your child to take an interest in the autumn topics (and the term's author, Michael Morpurgo) is to take them to the **library**. There are many books which can be borrowed from your local library. They can be read and discussed with your child, as well as brought to school to share with the rest of Year 5.

Home School Learning

Homework will be set on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. As part of this Homework, your child will have to complete their **Weekly Spellings** and **Reading Record**. Your child has a homework diary in which these details are written down. Parents are requested to **sign diaries each week** and to ensure that their **child's homework is complete and brought to school on time**. Your support will be greatly appreciated.

As a school, we continue to emphasise the importance of reading. We will change library books and class reading books once a week. We would appreciate it if you could **listen to your child read**; they should be reading at least **four times a week**. The children are expected to record their remarks in their **Reading Record**. Please use the **Home Reading Activities Card** to further support your child's reading. Your child will have access to the Bug Club website, where children can independently read a wide range of books online.

As part of the Mathematics curriculum, please support your child to **practice mental maths strategies, learn the times tables and use the Manga High website**.

After School Learning - 3.15pm to 4.15pm

This year we are further developing our After School Club provision; as with last year all correspondence for clubs will be sent out via email and payment will be taken through School Comms. Therefore, if you would like your child to have the opportunity to participate in our growing range of after school clubs; please ensure your details are up to date with the school office and that the School Comms App is working on your device.

General information

Please remember to **label all of your child's school uniform** so that they can identify their own belongings. This will also help you us to find clothes if they get lost. Please also ensure your child comes to school with a **named water bottle** so that they have easy access to water throughout the day. The class will have **P.E. on Tuesdays**. For this please make sure your child has the appropriate kit in school and that they are not wearing jewellery, including their Kara and earrings. However if they cannot, then they must wear a wristband (sweat band) to cover Karas, and earrings must be taped over before the lesson.

We will be holding a **Welcome Meeting for Year 5 Parents/Carers on Friday 20th September 2019, in the Year 5 Classrooms, at 8:45am to 9:15am**. This meeting will cover the Curriculum and general class information. We hope to see you then. The **Consultation Week**, when you can find out about your child's progress, has been scheduled for the **15th & 16th of October 2019**. Please see the office if you require further information about this.

If you would like to contact us about any matter, there are a number of ways you can do this. You can send us a note with your child or if you prefer, you can leave a message with the school office. We can then respond back with a note, speak to you directly or we can contact you via telephone as soon as possible.

Finally, we would like to say that we look forward to a positive and successful year ahead with Year 5 and we hope you feel the same.

Yours faithfully



Mrs P. Ramji
Year 5 Team Leader



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Year 5 Class Teacher