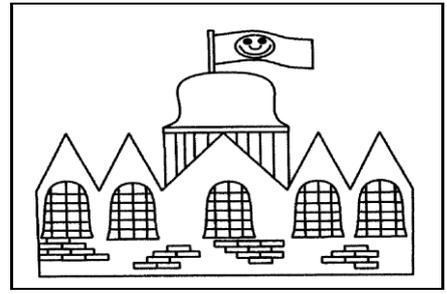


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Dear Parents / Carers

Welcome to year 5! We have had a really nice start to the year and all the children have settled well, appear happy and have already been working well together on their refugee topic. We thought we would just send out some key information and reminders for the year ahead.

Weekly reminders

Tuesday – Times tables test (Children know which table they are on and need to spend time learning these every week).

Tuesday – Spelling test (children need to spend time learning these every week).

Tuesday - We are encouraging the children to read a **minimum** of three times each week at home and we will check they have achieved this (please make sure your child has their reading diary in school every day and you have signed the diary to prove your child has read three times). The children who read at least three times will earn additional playtime.

All week - PE kits should be brought into school on the first day of the half term and remain in school until the end of that term. It is a legal requirement that children participate in all PE lessons and for hygienic reasons they must change into clothing that is suitable. Their PE kit needs to include plimsolls, outdoor trainers, shorts, t-shirt and suitable warm clothing for outdoor games.

Swimming

Year 5RG will be swimming for the first half of the year and year 5SD will be swimming for the second half of the year. Dates will be confirmed nearer the time for 5SD.

Online support

Mathletics (www.mathletics.co.uk) is an excellent website that school has subscribed to and we would like to encourage children to use this on a regular basis. Each child has their own individual log in that can be provided by the class teacher. We will occasionally set homework on mathletics.

Please check the school website (<http://hillocks.notts.sch.uk/>) for updates and information during the school year. The high frequency words, year 3 and 4 spellings and year 5 and 6 spellings have been added and it would be hugely beneficial if your child spent time learning these.

Information is also posted on OurSchoolApp which can be downloaded via the App store.

We look forward to an enjoyable and successful year.

Thank you for your support

Rick Gascoyne and Sophie Dunn