



# Windermere Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

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I hope this finds you well and that you have had a restful winter break. We have enjoyed welcoming everyone back. Just a few reminders about what to expect in Year 5.

PE is on Mondays and Wednesdays- Children will need PE kit in every week (including a pair of trainers separate to their school shoes). Please also ensure they have a water bottle each day and that everything is named. Named clothing is especially helpful as items often get set aside and identifying them is very difficult.

Areas of focus in the curriculum for this half term include:

**English:** We will be writing persuasive letters based on the story *The Misadventures of Frederick* by Ben Manley and Emma Chichester Clark. We will also be exploring non chronological reports through the stories *The Sea Below My Toes*; *The Street Beneath My Feet*; *The Skies Above My Eyes (Look Closer)* by Charlotte Guillain, and mystery and suspense fiction through *Boy in the Tower* by Polly Ho-Yen, and descriptive narratives using *The Watertower* by Gary Crew and Steven Woolman.

**Maths:** Children will be developing their knowledge of numbers. We will focus on fractions, and multiplication and division. Please continue to practice times tables as this really helps with fractions work.

**Science:** We will be learning about Earth and Space, describing the movement of the Earth and other planets relative to the sun in the solar system.

**Art:** We will be experimenting with mixed media and recreating both landscapes and cityscapes.

**History:** Anglo Saxons and the Scots.

**Computing:** Data bases. We will be investigating how to store and organize information.

As with previous year groups, you are expected to read regularly at home, practise spellings and practise your times tables.

Just a reminder that the school day starts at 8:50am, so the gates open at 8.40am and the register is taken promptly. The school day finishes at 3.20pm.

Kind Regards

Mrs Russ

