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Dear Parent/Carer (Current Year 4 / Year 5 September 2017)

Here are some things you might like to know about your child's new class for next year.

Children who have been in 4LR will be in 5SM; Mrs McCallum will be teaching them. Children who have been in 4MR will be in 5ND/RC, Mrs Dodds will teach them Monday, Tuesday and Friday (although she will be in school every day) and Mrs Cooper will teach Wednesday and Thursday. Both classes will be supported by Mrs Goulding.

As your child may have told you, Year 5 will be moving into the mobile classrooms in September. In order to make better use of the space, we are planning to rearrange the layout of the cloakroom over the summer holidays by moving some of the cloakroom area into the corner of these classrooms which are much bigger than the classrooms in the main building. When choosing bags for school, please could you look for less bulky bags in order to save some space.

The children will need their (labelled) outdoor and indoor P.E. kit in school every Monday and Wednesday but it would be helpful to have it in school every day. A drawstring bag for their P.E. kit is really helpful as it takes up less room in our cloakroom, where space is limited.

Although we will provide your child with all the equipment they need to do their work, it would be a big help if they could bring in their own glue stick, rubber and pencil sharpener. A small pencil case of labelled coloured pencils is also useful, but not essential.

The children will have a spelling test and times tables test every Monday. Your child will bring home their spelling list and a note of which times tables to practise every Tuesday.

Please hear your child read aloud at home whenever you can and record the pages they have read in their reading record. They will also be reading in school during guided reading sessions with a member of staff usually once a week. We will be rewarding the children for reading aloud at home, so please initial each reading practice they have done with you and make sure that they have their reading book and record in school every day.

We are always happy for the children to carry out extra research about topics we are studying in class and will try to find time to share this information in the appropriate topic lessons. We will be looking at World War Two during the Autumn term. The children will experience an 'Evacuee Day' in school in early October. We will also be visiting Eden Camp in September.

Over the summer holiday, children will need to practise their times tables. You could use Squeebles or another App. As a family, you could also try to race each other and try to beat your time. Please practise spellings from the Year 4 list.

Thank you for your continued support, now and into the future.

Yours sincerely



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On behalf of the Year 5 Team