

Welcome to Year 5

Solent Class

Dear Parents/Carers

I'd like to welcome you and your child to Year 5 Solent class. I would like to take this opportunity to tell you about some of our routines.

Staff - The teacher for Solent Class is myself - Mrs. Reid supported by Mr McCarty.

Morning drop off at school is 8:25am.

End of day pick up from school will be 3:00pm (unless you choose to sign a consent form at the office if you are happy for your child to leave school independently at the end of the day).

Snack at break time - Please can the children bring in their own piece of fruit or a healthy snack for their morning break.

Drinks - Each child will need to bring in a named water bottle which they can top up throughout the day when needed.

Pencil cases- These will be provided in class. We have bought in specific pencils and pens to support our new handwriting scheme.

Uniform - Please regularly check that all clothing is clearly named, especially jumpers and coats, including their PE kits. The children need a sun hat particularly in hot weather. It is essential they have a coat each day as we like to get the children out at playtime every day, even in light rain!

P.E - Our class will have PE lessons each week, on a **Monday** and **Tuesday** with Mr. Westhorpe and myself. Please ensure your child comes to school in their PE kit and has suitable clothes for an outdoor PE lesson - trousers and a jumper.

Forest School - Our Forest school is done on a termly rota with Mr. McCarty. I will Dojo when our class have Forest School approaching. Your children will need to come to school prepared for outdoor learning. Trousers, jumpers, waterproof coats and trousers. They will need to bring suitable shoes/ wellies they can change into. Again, please make sure all their belongings are named.

Homework - The expectation is the children will read daily at home and work on their times tables if not secure. They will have access to Times Table Rock Stars to help with this. Please contact me if you have misplaced their log in details. We will have a spelling focus each week - a selection of words will be sent home every **Wednesday** for the children to learn in preparation for a spelling test the following **Monday**. There will also be optional, fun topic themed homework tasks, which will be sent home termly.

Dojo - I will continue to use this for important communication and rewards.

I am really looking forward to working with your children again this year.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs. Reid