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Dear Parents

### **Year 5 Autumn Term Curriculum**

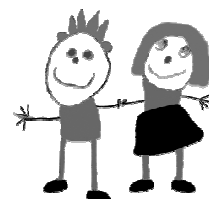
Welcome to Year 5! We would be like to take this opportunity to give you some important information about the term ahead and to outline the topics the children will be covering.

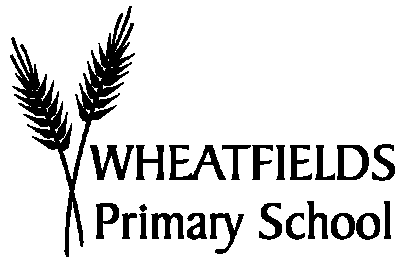
The children will be bring home a homework diary this week. They will record the homework tasks set and reflect upon their progress at school. We ask that it is brought in daily and that an adult signs it weekly. Pupils will take diaries home on Friday for the weekend, where you then have the opportunity to communicate with us, and sign the diary as an acknowledgement of your child's receiving and completion of homework. Pupils must then bring the diary signed and checked by you into school on Monday. The book may also be used as a means of communication between the class teacher, parents and child. Lost homework diaries may be replaced at reception at a cost of £1.50.

- Numeracy homework will normally be given out on a Tuesday for the following Tuesday by the teacher of your child's Maths set.
- Curriculum homework will be usually be given out on Monday to be handed in on Friday.
- In addition spellings will be given every Friday for a test the following Friday.

We recommend that the learning of spellings and maths mental recall facts is an ongoing process throughout the week and that the children read regularly at home. Pupils will be tested on spellings and tables weekly.

We do appreciate your support in ensuring your child has an appropriate change of clothing and footwear for P.E. and Games. We would like to remind you that jewellery will need to be removed for these lessons. We recommend that if possible children leave jewellery at home on P.E./Games days. Those children unable to remove an item of jewellery will have it taped for safety reasons.





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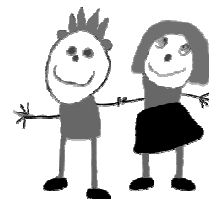
Days for P.E./Games are as follows:

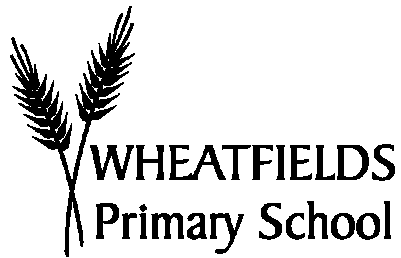
Wednesday - Games.

Thursday – P.E.

### Outlines of topics to be covered this term

Numeracy	Place value, addition, subtraction, multiplication and division, measures, shape and space and data handling.
Literacy	Story openings, portrayal of characters, dialogue, play scripts, concrete poetry, poems by significant poets, recount and instruction writing
Science	Sound and light.
I.C.T	Databases including complex searches. Monitoring the environment.
History	World War II. This will include a special 'World War II' day and a trip to Duxford - more details later.
Art	Drawing - the element of perspective.
D & T	Making a pitched musical instrument, linked to work on sound in science and to music
Music	Listening to and singing songs from the period of World War II. Sound work relating to science and D & T - distinguishing instruments and how their sounds are made; composing and performing using instruments made in D & T.
PSHE/SEAL	New beginnings
R.E.	Judaism - Jewish beliefs and worship, including the origins of Judaism.
Games	Invasion games including ball handling.





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We look forward to working with you in Year 5. Parental support is greatly appreciated and if you are able to offer an hour or more of your time please speak to your child's class teacher.

Yours sincerely

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