

Dear Parents / Carers,



WELCOME BACK TO YEAR 5

We hope that everyone has a lovely holiday and returns ready to continue learning and working hard in Year 5.

Our curriculum over the next term will be based on the text 'The Viking Boy' (Tony Bradman). In English, we will be focusing a lot of our reading and writing around this story which links with our History topic about the Vikings. We will be writing a report and diary entry. During our Maths lessons, we will be learning about Perimeter, Area, Decimals and Percentages. Our Prime Learning Challenge for this half term is 'How did the Vikings try to conquer the British Isles?' As mentioned earlier, the theme is led by the Vikings. The children will be having a core learning experience to the Jorvik Viking Centre Space in York. In Science, we will be learning about Properties and Changes of Materials.

PE days

Class 5.1 Friday

Class 5.2 Friday

Class 5.3 Friday

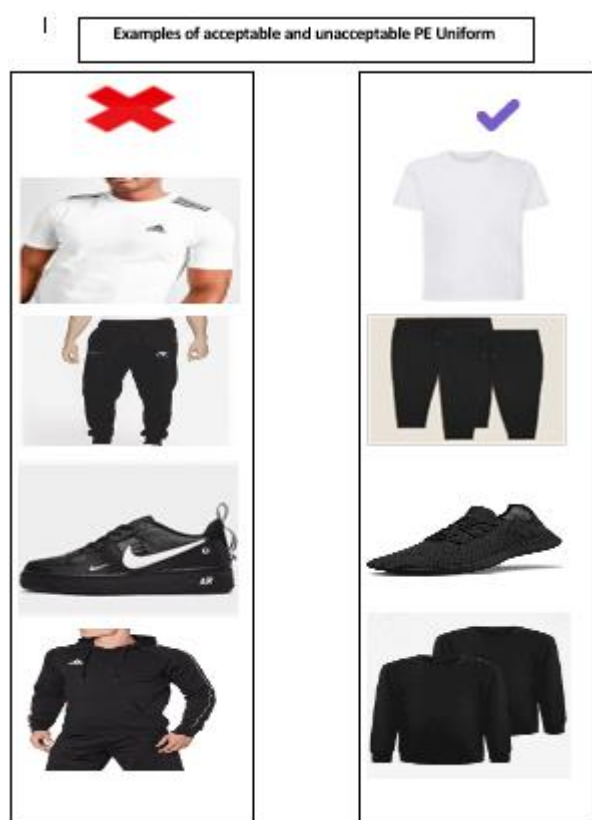
PE days

5.1	5.2	5.3
07.01.2026	14.01.2026	21.01.2026
28.01.2026	04.02.2026	11.02.2026

Please ensure that your child comes to school in their PE kit on their designated day.

Children must wear a black jumper, a white T- shirt, black shorts and black trainers. Please refer to the letter from Mr Cooper stating that this needs to be logo free. If the weather is cold the children can wear dark, plain jogging bottoms (not leggings) as PE will most likely take place outside. Please note that earrings should not be worn for PE and should be removed for the day prior to leaving home or tape applied. Long hair should be tied back.

In addition to their class PE slot, children will have swimming lessons (once a week).



Reading and Spelling

Your child will be given a reading book and a reading journal to bring home and read (for at least 10 minutes every day). ***They will need to keep their reading journal and book in their book bags to bring to school every day.*** Spellings are sent home weekly for your child to practise and learn via Spelling Shed.

Water Bottles and Lunch Boxes

Children need to bring in a named water bottle into school every day. If they are not having a school lunch and are bringing their own in from home, we encourage this to be in a disposable bag or a small lunch box which can be wiped down easily. A polite reminder that water bottles should be filled with water and not juice.

Homework

Homework is an opportunity for you to share in your child's learning, by supporting and encouraging them as they complete their homework tasks. While it should be primarily their work, please feel free to help them with any parts they find more challenging. Homework will usually be set on a Friday and is due back by the following Wednesday.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs Patankar, Mrs Baldwin and Miss Holland
Year 5 staff