

Welcome to Year 5 Meet the Teacher Meeting September 2022



Year 5 Teachers



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Our Values

learners
today,
leaders
tomorrow

Generosity

We are generous
in our words and
actions

Honesty

We are honest
with ourselves
and others

Aspiration

We continually
strive to be the
best we can be

Resilience

We are resilient
to the challenges
we face daily

Respect

We show respect
for those around us,
the diversity of our
community and for
our environment

Responsibility

We take responsibility
for our learning, our
behaviour and the
choices we make

At Whitchurch we have **six core values** which we underpin in **everything we do**. They are covered in weekly assemblies, linked to our behaviour rewards, star assemblies and regularly interwoven into our teaching.

We expect everyone in our community to share these values.

Pick up and Drop off times



Morning drop off

Children should be dropped at either main gate or Marsh Lane which are opened at **8.35am**. The children make their own way to the patio doors. We have a 'soft start' which means children can arrive from **8.35am and 8:55am** when the gates are locked. **After 9:00am** children are registered as late and should report to the main school office.

Afternoon pick up

The gates are unlocked at 3:15pm. However, learning time finishes at **3.25pm**. Parents/carers need to wait patiently at the patio door. Sometimes it might be a few minutes later. If you want to speak to the teacher briefly, please wait until we have dismissed all other children (the handing over of children is our priority at the end of the day). Should you need to talk at length, it is best to make an appointment.



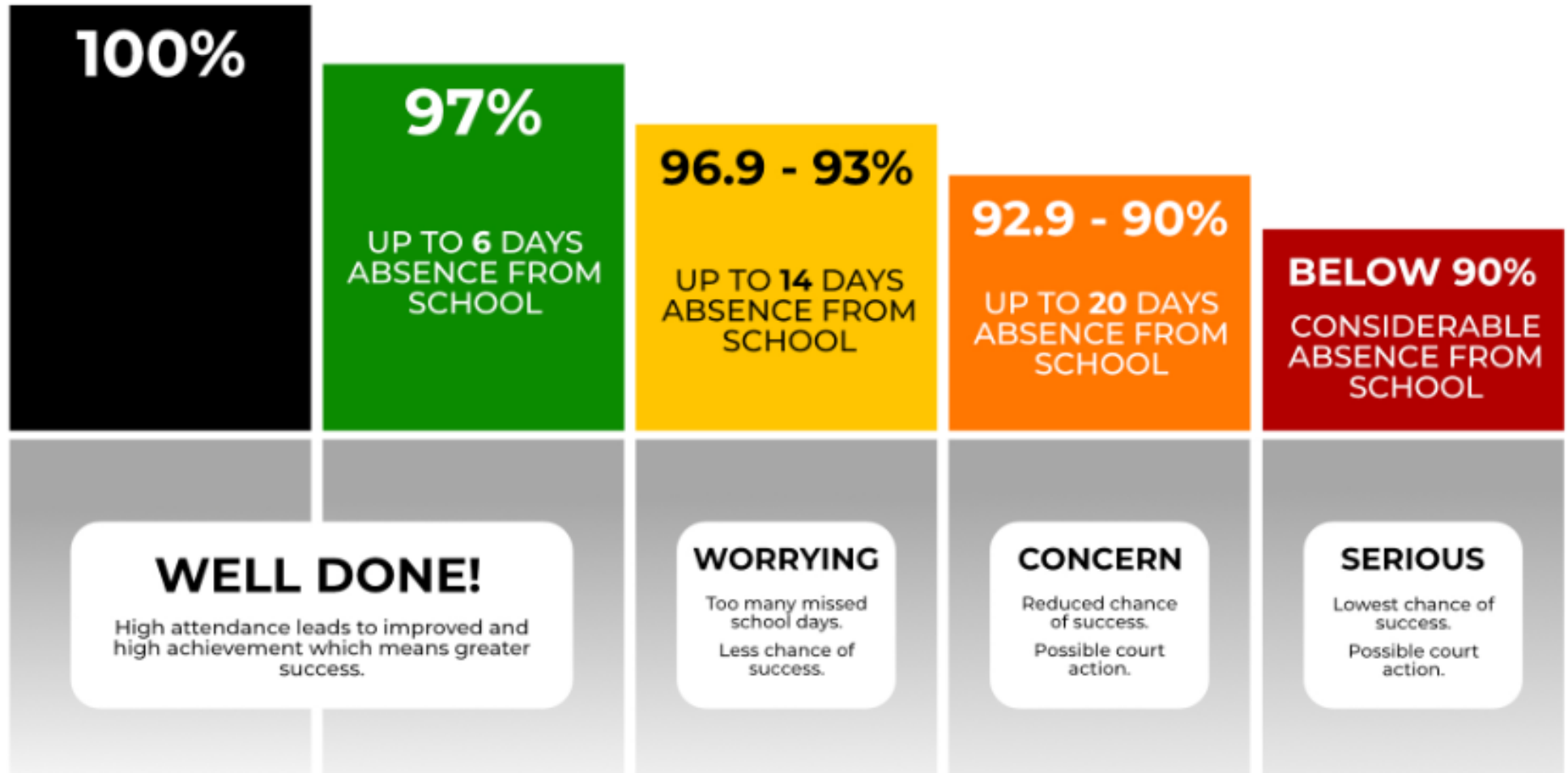
Attendance and Punctuality



- Daily attendance at school is of the **utmost importance**.
- Please ensure that your child is always on time:
 - The school gates open at 8:35am
 - Children are expected to be punctual in the morning so that they do not miss the morning routine / challenges
- **Please do not book holidays during term times** – these **will not be approved** and your child will have these days recorded as unauthorised.
- As much as possible, please ensure you book appointments outside of school day
- Interviews and 11+ exams: please ensure you provide evidence of interviews to the school office



Attendance and Punctuality



Booking School Meals



We strongly recommend a hot school meal in the middle of the day. Children are supported in the hall and we ensure they are encouraged to eat and try new things

Kindly book the food options for the full half term through ParentPay. The school meals are free, however, booking is essential as the kitchen must prepare enough for the whole school.

We have bands which are given to the children in the morning. The colour is dependent on your child's choice of food:

Red: meat and fish option

Green: vegetarian options

Yellow: vegan or alternative option



Packed lunches are discouraged for a number of reasons;

- Difficult to ensure a healthy balance of all the essential food groups;
- We have a number of children with extremely serious allergies and have to be strict about the food coming into school;
- It's more difficult for us to monitor what children are eating;
- We may replace any packed lunch that is not compliant with our lunch policies (we will of course advise parents of our concerns).

Key Information: School Uniform



- We ask that your child always has on a clean uniform;
- Red sweatshirt or cardigan (with or without school logo);
- White polo shirt (with or without school logo);
- Dark grey trousers, skirt or pinafore dress / red and white dress for the summer;
- Smart black school shoes;
- Shirts should be tucked in **at all times**;
- If your child has shoe laces for either their school shoes or PE shoes, please ensure you are teaching them how to tie them if they do not know already;
- Now that we have rainier days, please ensure that your child has a rain mac or coat;
- Please ensure all uniform and PE items are **labelled so they can be easily identified.**



Key Information: Physical Education



PE Days

Year 5:

5SK: Monday (swimming) & Tuesday (outdoor)

5RC: Monday (swimming) & Thursday (outdoor)

5SC & 5TG: Monday (outdoor) & Wednesday (swimming)

PE kits

Children come to school in their P.E. kit:

- Coloured t-shirt (with or without school logo) - depending on team colour
- Black shorts
- Grey sweatshirt – outdoors
- Grey tracksuit bottoms – outdoors
- We ask that a sweat band is provided to cover a Sikh wrist band.
- No other jewellery is allowed. (Earrings must be removed / covered in masking tape.)
- Long hair should be tied up.
- Please cover verrucas with a plaster or provide a verruca guard (socks are not allowed during indoor PE due to slipping)



Key Information - Stationery



Stationery: Please ensure that your child has everything they need for the day.

We have a pop-up stationery shop run by the Year 6 children, every Tuesday at lunch time. The children are allowed to bring not more than £5.

Here's the stationery that your children will need:

- Pencil case
- 2/3 pencils
- 2 Handwriting pen in blue only
- Pencil sharpener
- 30cm clear ruler (not bendy ones or split into 2)
- Glue stick
- Children's safety scissors
- Green pen (biro)
- Highlighter
- Colouring pencils
- Dry wipe board pen (2 if possible)

Price list:

Item	Price
Pencils	
HB pencil	10p
Ferby Graphite pencil	40p
BIC mechanical pencil	50p
BIC lead refills	£1
Pens	
Pilot Frixion rub out pen	£1.50
Manuscript handwriting	30p
Ball point pen	30p
Fine liner	30p
Whiteboard marker	40p
Rulers	
15cm ruler	10p
30cm ruler	20p
30cm coloured ruler	20p
Pencil Cases	
Clear pencil case - small	50p
Clear pencil case - large	80p
Other	
Glue stick	50p
Highlighter	20p
Protractor	20p
Small simple sharpener	10p
Larger sharpener	25p
Rubber	20p
Mini pencil-top rubber	10p

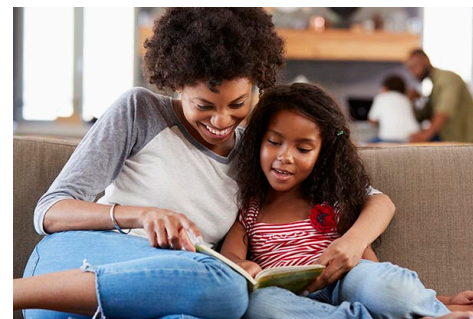
Key Information - Reading



Reading – Children in Year 5 are working on their reading stamina, pace and understanding. Children need to read **with an adult** for a minimum of 20 minutes a day.

This is so that they **can ask questions**, work on their **pronunciation** and **make links** with what they are reading. This cannot be achieved when reading to one's self (this is 'reading for pleasure' and encourages a life-long love of reading.)

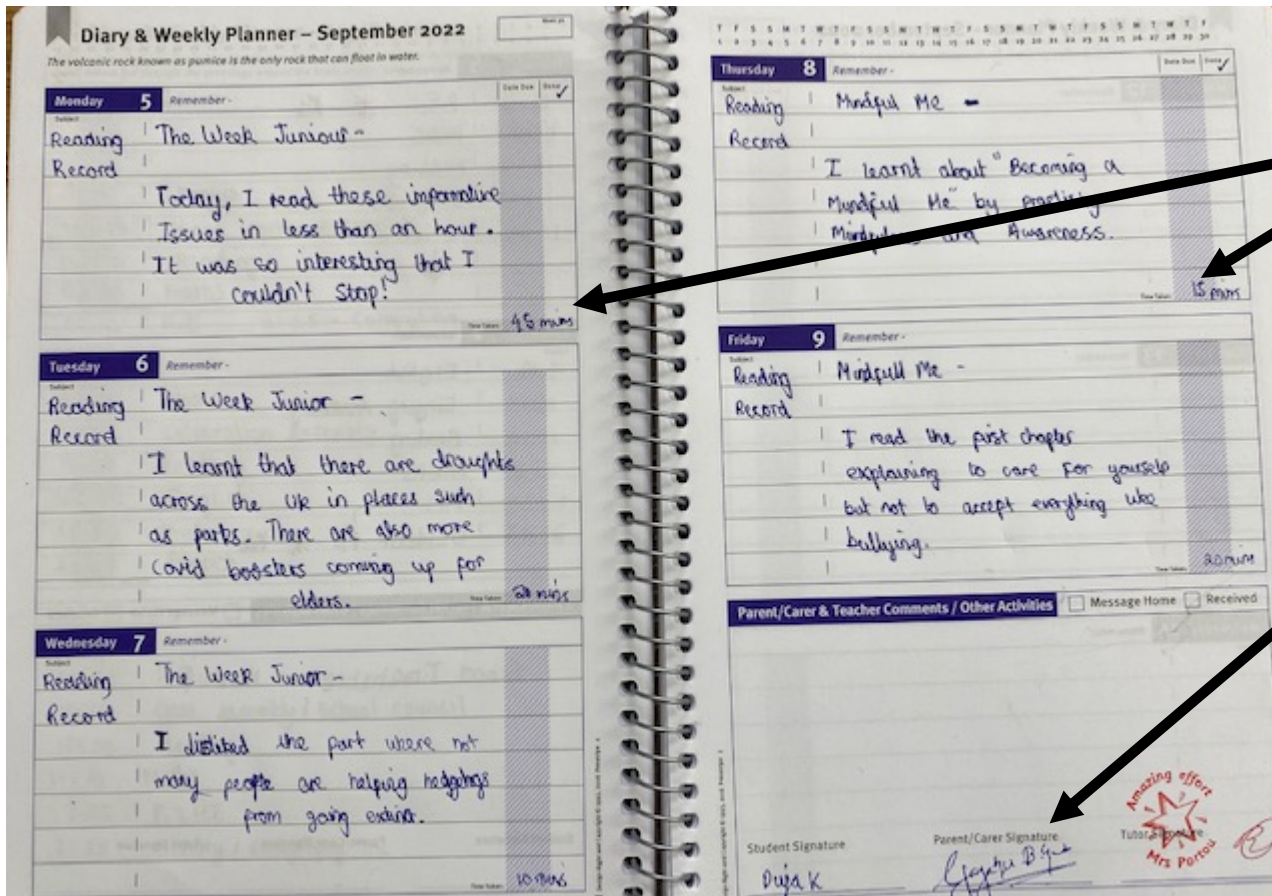
When you have read with your child, they need to log **the name of the book** and **pages** in the diary and it will need an adult **signature**. In Year 5, we also expect the children to summarise/predict/comment on what they have read – writing between 1 to 3 sentences, depending on the child's handwriting and the space available. Diaries are signed by the teacher every Monday. Children should bring their dairies to school **every day** so they can start to log important messages and information.



Key Information - Diaries



Please encourage your child to be responsible and independent. They need to have their diaries on a Monday morning. This needs all the evidence of reading and to be signed **by an adult**.



Reading book and pages.
Signed by an adult daily

Signed by an adult

Key Information – Home Learning



Day due /checked	Subject	Details
Monday	Reading	20- 30 minutes reading per day to an adult at least 5 days per week. Recorded in diaries.
Monday	Diary	Signed by parent/carer daily.
Daily	Spellings	Spellings will be embedded in all English lessons Tests and spelling bees will be ongoing Please challenge your child with the words they are reading to you
Thursday	English (Including Year 5 & 6 words)	English homework will be set on Thursdays in the green homework book. Checked every Thursday. Printed copies and online.
Friday	Mathletics & TTRS	All tasks set to be completed by Friday. Mathletics will cover topics taught in class which helps to reinforce their understanding and providing more practice. Time Tables Rockstar will enhance accuracy and speed in their timestable knowledge.

Once a term we will be setting a research / creative home learning project.

Key Information



Items children need & DO NOT NEED

- No gadgets, smart watches;
- Phones are only allowed in Years 5 & 6 and MUST be switched off before entering school and handed in;
- No Pokémon or football / collectable cards at all.



No party bags / food

If a child has birthday we will of course mark it and perhaps read their favourite book/ sing happy birthday but we never give out food or party bags. Please also refrain from doing this in the playground.



Key Information – Curriculum



At Whitchurch, we plan a bespoke and interesting curriculum which centres around your child.

Everything is tied to a central theme; in Year 5, this is **Mental and Physical Wellbeing**.

So, for example:

- **In English**, we are reading ‘The Boy at the Back of the Classroom’. It is a fictional story about how a group of friends help a refugee boy from Syria.
- **In Maths**, we are extending the learning of numbers up to 1 million and deepening the concept of place value
- **In RE**, we are exploring the Sikh religion as we look at the meaning of commitment in Sikhism.
- **The curriculum newsletter** will have more details of the curriculum coverage. Please explore the school website for more details. (See next slide)

Year 5 More information can be found on our website



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Year 5

Welcome to Year 5. We very much see your child's time in Year 5 as a partnership with parents and carers. Please refer to the information on this page to support us with your child's learning both at school and home.

If you have any queries please contact **Mrs Khon** (Year 5 Leader).

Our Timetables

SSK

STG

SSC

SRC

Routines and Expectations

Year 5 Curriculum



Class timetables: Below is an example of our weekly class timetables. These can be found on the school website under the Year 5 year group page. These are updated **every half term**.

Books

Children are provided with a range of different subject books to record their everyday learning.

These are:

English - Yellow

Maths - Blue

Curriculum (History, Geography and R.E) - Red

Science - Green

Reciprocal Reading - Yellow (small)

General Work book - orange

Home Learning - Purple

Art/DT - Black

SSK Timetable – Autumn 1 2024

Day	8:40-9:00	9:05-9:35	9:40-10:40	11:00-12:00		12:00-12:30	1:30-2:25		2:30-3:25
MON	Diaries	SLT Assembly	Swimming	Swimming	RE	PSHE	French		Computing
TUES	handwriting	Reciprocal Reading	Music (9:30-10:30)	English		Reciprocal Reading	Maths		Outdoor PE
WED	homework	Celebration Assembly	Maths	English		Reciprocal Reading	Spelling	English	Geography
THUR	Silent Reading	Class Assembly	Non-Fiction Library	English		Reciprocal Reading	Science		
FRI	Mathletics	Singing Assembly	Maths	English		Reciprocal Reading	Maths		Art

Year 5 Trips & Enrichment



We believe in enriching your child's school with trips, workshops and invitation to visitors or external organization to provide life skills and broaden their mental horizon.

Trips we offer this year:

- A visit to Buckingham Palace (The State Rooms) (Autumn 1)
- A visit to the Ragged Museum (Autumn 2)
- Science Museum (Spring 1)
- Cooking an Italian dish (Spring 2)
- **A day trip /Outdoor adventure (details to follow soon)**
- Kew Gardens (Summer 1)
- Mayan Workshop (Summer 2)



We will also organise a religious site visit (St John's Church) and workshops/talks on Sikhism and Jainism.



Parent Volunteers



- We feel that the involvement of parents in children's education is vital and we encourage active participation in many ways. In whatever way parents offer their time, we are always extremely grateful.
- There are many different ways in which parents can help in school – These include:
 - Helping with literacy (typically listening to children read)
 - Helping with numeracy
 - Sharing your professional skills (for example, if you're a doctor, you might go in to talk to a class whose topic is healthy living)
 - Helping with classroom activities such as cookery
 - Helping on school trips
- If you are interested in volunteering, please contact the school office.



Before/After School Activities



WRAPAROUND CARE can be booked via hello@junioradventuresgroup.co.uk and via the link on our school website - [Whitchurch Primary School and Nursery: Wraparound Care](#)

Enrichment clubs

External clubs like Karate, Chess, Robothink, Stage Coach are booked separately and paid for directly to the provider



Contacting Teachers/the school



Your first point of contact is your child's class teacher. We are always happy to talk to you about your child. Parents can **email or phone the school office**. Please allow 48 hours for a response. Contact the **teacher by email through the school office** or the easiest way is to **see the teacher at the end of the school day**. If teachers don't have time or more time is needed they will happily arrange an alternative time for you to come and talk.

If you need to speak to the team leader, please contact Mrs Khan at the following address: skhan457@whitchurchps.co.uk. Depending on your enquiry, she might ask your child's class teacher to respond to you.

Communication

- Remember to read the **weekly newsletter**
- **Important dates and updates** are posted on the school website – **please check regularly**
- Download the **School Spider app** to receive important messages and updates- the school office can help you with this

Important: Please tell us any change of details of people collecting your child

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Whatsapp groups



Don't forget our wonderful class reps! If you haven't already, please join your class WhatsApp group for updates and messages.

Please keep conversations respectful and professional.

Teachers and team leaders can only speak to you about anything that concerns your child; therefore please approach the class teacher directly and without delay.

Questions



Thank you for attending, and for working in co-operation with us.

We are one team and on the same side- for the benefit of your child.

Any questions?

