

# Simmondley Primary School

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Dear Parent/Carer

It was lovely to meet some of you at our 'meet the teacher' event last term. If you couldn't make this event please feel free to introduce yourself to me before or after school on the playground. I hope you have had a great time over the holidays. The children have settled in very quickly this week and are working well as a team. I hope you find the following information useful.

## Homework

Spellings are handed out weekly on Friday to be tested on the following Friday. English homework is handed out Friday, to be collected in on the following Monday. Maths homework is handed out on Tuesday to be marked in lesson the following Monday for Y4 and Tuesday for Y5. The aim of our homework activities is generally to consolidate work learned in class and keep skills sharp, also to help you be aware of the kinds of things we are working on in school. Each piece of homework should take no longer than 30 minutes to complete. If your child finds the homework difficult, please let us know. In response to The majority of children will all be given a Maths workbook, they will be required to complete a section each week. I will go over Maths homework with the children on Monday Y4/TuesdayY5 mornings, so it is important that it is handed in on time. Please come and see me if you are unsure what your child needs to do.

In addition, please encourage your child to read several times through the week. Fluent readers could read alone and then be asked questions about the text.

## PE

PE will be twice a week. In the Autumn Term Y4 children will go swimming every Tuesday, starting Tuesday 25th September. Please ensure the Y4 children have their swimming kit in school every Tuesday. Our other PE sessions will be on Mondays and Thursdays. For children to participate in these lessons they must have outdoor and indoor P.E. kits in school. Please label all PE kit and uniform with your child's name. Thank you!

## Curriculum

In the table below, you will find a broad outline of what we will be covering this term. If you have time it would be great if you could help your child do some research for our Science or History Topic.

Subject	Content
Writing	Narrative poems, recounts, letters, significant authors, explanations, adventure stories
Reading	Guided Group Reading session and daily reading tasks. Class text Skysong
Mathematics	Place Value, addition, subtraction, multiplication, division, decimals, 3D shapes, measures and data, division and fractions
Science	Healthy Eating
ICT	Coding, word processing
Art/DT	Drawing Skills, Tudor Art/Healthy Cooking
History	Tudors
Music	Performing and composing, Duration and Dynamics (Y4) All year 5 children have the opportunity to learn clarinet through the Wider Opportunities Scheme
PE	Swimming and multi skills games
French	Speaking French, greetings
RE	Christianity
PHSE	Being Me in My World

Subject specialists will be delivering aspects of Sport/Art and Design Technology and Science, and our class is very excited to work with them.

If you have any worries or concerns about your child, or if there is anything you think I should know about them or their circumstances, please don't hesitate to come in and talk to me, so that we can work together to help them.

There's an exciting year ahead and I'm looking forward to teaching your children and working in partnership with you.

Kind regards,

Mrs Ellison