

Year 5 Autumn 1 Newsletter

Welcome to Y5! We have had a fantastic first few days starting to learn all about our new topic: Peasants, Princes and Pestilence! We have lots of exciting activities planned for children over the course of the term and more information about our topic can be found on the school website: www.exeterschool.co.uk.

If there is anything we can support you with, please do not hesitate to contact a member of the Y5 team at school.

Miss Vorster, Mr Ranking, Miss Golding and Mrs Mathew

Peasants, Princes and Pestilence



Our new topic is Peasants, Princes and Pestilence. Over the course of the topic, we will be looking at life in 14th Century Britain and focussing on the spread of the plague throughout Great Britain!

On the reverse of this newsletter, we have attached a selection of home learning ideas all to do with our topic. Although these are not compulsory, we would encourage you to complete at least one with your child, over the course of the term.

Homework

Homework is handed out on a Friday and must be returned the following Wednesday.



Uniform and P.E. Kit



At Exeter, we want our children to look smart, be ready to learn and represent our school with pride. We therefore ask that children come dressed in the correct uniform:

- A blue jumper or cardigan **with the Exeter logo**
- A red or white polo shirt
- **Grey** trousers, skirt or pinafore (**not leggings**)
- Black shoes **not trainers**

Children also need to be correctly dressed for P.E.:

- Red t-shirt **with the Exeter logo**
- Black or navy jogging bottoms or shorts (**not leggings**)
- Trainers or plimsolls.

All items of uniform can be purchased from the school office and we have regular second hand uniform sales.

Dates for your diary:



Wednesday 25th - Friday 27th September: Y5/6 Residential

Friday 25th October: School finishes for half-term.

Tuesday 5th November: Children return to school.

Healthy Snacks



We have noticed a number of children bringing in appropriate snacks, including whole packets of biscuits! Just a reminder, children are encouraged to bring a healthy snack, such as a piece of fruit a healthy cereal bar.

The Reading Pledge



Did you know that children who read regularly at home are more likely to earn more money when they're older and (more importantly) be happier?! We are asking all families to take 'the reading pledge'; agree to read together for 10-20 minutes a day. When you have read together, remember to sign their reading bookmark so they can be in with a chance of winning a small prize for their efforts!

P.E.

P.E. is an essential part of the national curriculum. Each class has P.E. twice a week. P.E. kit must be labelled with your child's name. Each class has two dedicated P.E. lessons a week with a specialist teacher. We encourage you to keep your child's P.E. kit in school all week, as P.E. days may change at short notice.