



# St Cuthbert Mayne Catholic Primary School



## Year 5 information - Spring Term 2017

Welcome to Year 5 (St Catherine's Class)

### School uniform

We have been delighted to see how smart the children have been looking. Please ensure that you follow the school uniform policy and all items of uniform are labelled.

### PE

We have 2 PE sessions each week; Tuesday and Friday. However, we do ask that all children have their PE kit in school every day in case of changes to the timetable. All children in Year 5 are encouraged to take their PE kit home on a Friday to be washed for the new week.

### Water

We are encouraging the children to drink plenty of water. Please would each child bring a named water bottle (which will be kept in class) to school each day. This will ensure that all the children have continual access to water.

### Pencil cases

The school provides all writing and stationery equipment needed. However, we are happy for your child to bring in their own pencil case to use during the afternoon sessions.

### Home learning

In Year 5 we will hand out weekly English and Maths homework. All homework is to be completed in the yellow homework book. Maths is provided online (My maths) for which your child has been given their own log in. Additional homework will be issued to support current topics and multiplication tables. Maths homework is issued on a Friday and English homework on a Monday (both being completed for the following Wednesday).

### Reading

In Year 5 all children are expected to read at home every day for 20 minutes or more. We encourage all children to find books that they enjoy. Please try to find time to listen to your child read. In order to help them develop a love of reading, taking time to read to your child is equally important.

The children will have the opportunity to use the school and class libraries each week. Please ensure that they have a book to read in school with them each day.

### Parent help

There may be occasions when we would appreciate some additional help for practical activities or something special. If you are able to help on occasions and have a school DBS check, please do let Mr Kemp or Mr Bloomfield know.

### Communication

If you have any concerns, please advise the school office by email or telephone. We will then ensure that a convenient time to meet is arranged. We will always come and speak to you, or contact you by phone if we have any concerns about your child.

### Topic this term

St Catherine's Class will be studying 'The Mysterious Maya' this term. The children will be exploring the geographical and historical aspects related to this amazing group of people. We will be meeting the only British archaeologist who studies The Maya at the end of Term for our fabulous finish – Dr Diane Davies. You can access further information at the following website - [mayaarchaeologist.co.uk](http://mayaarchaeologist.co.uk).