



HAGBOURNE CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Families,

We hope you have had a good summer with your family and have managed to find some time to relax. I am delighted that Mrs Talmage is joining our class as our class TA every morning (Monday to Thursday) to support the children's learning. We have got many things to look forward to and we cannot wait to see the children back in school. These early weeks are all about getting back into our routines and expectations so we will spend time reminding the children of these and working together to ensure we have another successful year.

Year 5 marks the start of opportunities for further responsibility in school including prefect positions and bronze and silver leadership ladder awards. The class will receive information on both brilliant opportunities in school and application forms for prefects will be sent home.

This term, our Geography topic is centred on the Alps and looking at mountain environments. Further information on all our learning this half term can be found on the topic web.

PE

- **Tuesday** – Swimming
Swimming kits: Swimming costume / shorts (not bermuda style), hat, goggles and towel.
- **Thursday** – Basketball with Mrs Lacey (our PE coach)

Music

We will be having violin/cello lessons from the Oxford Music Service, who will also provide the instruments. I am just waiting to hear from our teacher this year and will then clarify the days we will have lessons.

Homework

Homework is set on a Monday and due the following Monday unless stated otherwise. There will be weekly spellings, reading and times tables. as well as Maths, English.

Reading

We will be listening to children read and reassessing their reading levels in the first couple of weeks, so please bear with us whilst we ensure each child has the appropriate level book.

Key reminders:

- **One pencil case** (small enough to fit in a tray) needs to be in every day with the following equipment:
HB pencils, ruler, rubber, white glue stick, whiteboard pen, purple pen, small pencil sharpener and a set of colouring pencils.
- **Uniform** – we continue in our summer uniform until October half term uniform. Please see the [website](#) for the uniform changes starting this year.
- Please **name everything**

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Mrs Dingley and Mrs Talmage