



Bishop William Ward C of E (VA) Primary School

Happy, respectful, life-long learners

Headteacher: Mr Toby Bull

Dear Parents,

I hope that you and your children have had a great summer. The children have settled in well to Year 5 and are already working hard.

This term, our topic is the Ancient Greeks. Further information about this (along with the other topics we will be covering this year) is available on the Year 5 curriculum map, on the school website.

Homework is set on a Friday, due in by the following Wednesday and will normally consist of a Maths or English task that relates to the week's learning, as well as the spellings for the week (which will be tested every Friday). It would also be fantastic if you could support your child in learning and/or revising their times tables on a regular basis to help promote instant recall.

Another vital part of your child's learning at home is reading -not only listening to your child read but also asking them questions about what they have read. Examples of questions to ask when reading with your child or after they have read a section of their book independently:

What do you think will happen next?

Who is your favourite character? Why?

What is happening in this picture?

Did you enjoy this book? Why?

What does this word mean?

Show me where the author has used a comma/question mark/exclamation mark etc.

This term our PE sessions will be on a Tuesday and Friday but please ensure that your child has their full PE kit in school every day in case a PE session needs to be moved. I would like to reiterate the school's policy, that earrings should not be worn for PE and therefore please ensure that your child either does not wear earrings on Tuesdays and Fridays, or is able to remove them themselves.

Despite the unusual new circumstances, we are looking forward to a year of fun and hard work! If you have any concerns, please don't hesitate to arrange an appointment to meet with either of us.

Yours faithfully,

Miss East and Mrs Jessop

Bishop William Ward C of E (VA) Primary School
Coach Road, Great Horkesley, Colchester, Essex, CO6 4AT
: 01206 271336 email: admin@bishopwilliamward.essex.sch.uk