



Introducing Year 5 at Westacre Middle School

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Mrs Riddleston (Head of Year) and Mrs Bennett 5RB

Mrs Truman – 5LT

Mr Street – 5TS

Mrs Hennessey – 5FH

Mrs Holden – 5 TH



We are ably supported by many
other teaching staff and teaching assistants.

Expectations

- Punctuality and attendance
 - Uniform
 - PE Kit (days on later slide)
- Participation in all aspects of school life
- Being prepared and organised
 - Independence – 6Rs
 - Homework



At Westacre we have high standards of uniform.

White, collared shirt.
Top button done up.

Grey knee length/
just below
the knee skirt
(no leggings or tight
fitting trousers)

Grey school socks/
tights

Black, formal school
Shoes.
(No trainers)

Westacre tie

Formal grey
shorts/trousers

Grey school socks



At Westacre we have high standards of P.E. kit.



Long hair tied back

Westacre jacket

Westacre skorts

Suitable sports
trainers



Westacre polo shirt

Westacre shorts

Long, navy P.E. socks

PE Kit

Children can wear their Westacre PE kit on days they have PE.
For the 2024/25 school year, PE days for year 5 are:

Tuesday= 5FH & 5TS

Thursday = 5RB & 5LT

Friday = 5 TH

Swimming takes place in the Spring Term

(This may mean your child's PE day may change to Tuesday for their 5 week Swimming session. More information to follow before the end of this term)



Homework Expectations



Based on the latest educational research on homework for primary school children, including evidence from the Education Endowment Foundation who confirm homework is most effective if routinely set to target short and focussed areas of learning, the following are our expectations for homework to be completed by children at Westacre.



Core Curriculum

Reading

4 times a week, preferably reading aloud or discussing a book for around 10 minutes each time

Spelling

Online Spelling Frame practice each week earning 1000 points

SPaG

Online practice each week on Century Tech

Maths

Online Maths practice each week (including Times Table Rock Stars & Century Tech)

Wider Curriculum

Year 5 & 6

Topic-based homework - once every term with options in all subjects across the curriculum

Year 7

one piece of homework per week on a rota from across the National Curriculum subjects



In order to promote a positive impact on learning, we encourage, praise and reward those children who successfully complete their homework on a regular basis.



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This term's topic is Explorers

Developing a variety of skills...

Geography- studying a range of maps and how to read them

History – Who were the Maya and why are they important?

D.T. - Developing a prototype to create a Maya Temple
(Food tasting as part of Explorer Day)

Art– Exploring colour-mixing primary and secondary colours using water colours.

Curriculum Jigsaw

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Your homework this half term is based on your Creative Curriculum topic of Explorers. As we work through our lessons, you will learn more, however you will need to do some independent research to complete your homework.

Homework is due Friday 18th October 2024.

Select 2 pieces ONLY from the grid to complete.

YOU DO NOT NEED TO COMPLETE ALL OPTIONS!

SCIENCE Research a science explorer such as Yuri Gagarin or Ellen Ochoa. Present your information in a way of your choice. E.g. PowerPoint, Speech, poster	PE Devise a game that would help explorers stay fit and healthy for their journey. Or <u>Design</u> a team game, with an explorer theme, that could be played in class, with 30 pupils in the 4 house teams.	GEOGRAPHY Choose a famous explorer. Produce a map showing the journey of your chosen explorer (E.g. might include <u>Sir Francis Drake</u> , Sarah Outen, Christopher Columbus, Alistair Humphries).
Religion & World Views Research the religion and customs of a community that live in a mountain environment such as Sherpa, who live in Tibet.	MUSIC Write a campfire song that an explorer might sing on their travels.	COMPUTING Create a presentation about a selection of explorers (of your choice). This must include ONE female explorer and one from 1900 onwards.
HISTORY Devise a timeline of exploration. This should cover at least one century, so 1500-1600. 1600-1700. 1700-1800 or 1800-1900.	ENGLISH Research an explorer of your choice. Create a diary, based on their adventures and journeys, writing AS THAT PERSON.	MATHS Create a kit list for an explorer and calculate the cost. You could record this as a visual shopping list. Take care to include all the equipment needed for a chosen destination.
D.T Design a vehicle that would be suitable to navigate all terrains. You can draw or make a model.	FOOD TECHNOLOGY Research a menu that would be suitable to keep a <u>modern day</u> explorer in peak fitness. Present your menu in a way of your choice.	ART Explore colour mixing by creating a landscape picture.

Please ask your teacher if you need any help with this- DO NOT LEAVE IT UNTIL THE FRIDAY BEFORE TO ASK! Please ask if you need to use the School Library, any books, or why not visit the library in Droitwich to help you.

Remember to present your work with pride. Think about how you can create an impact with your work – use colour, best handwriting and draw carefully. Or you can use a laptop, computer or i-pad to create your homework.

This homework
will be given out
this week.

Two pieces to be
returned by
Fri. Oct. 18th.

Get in touch
with class teacher if any
problems.



Resourcefulness

Readiness

Responsibility

REWARD

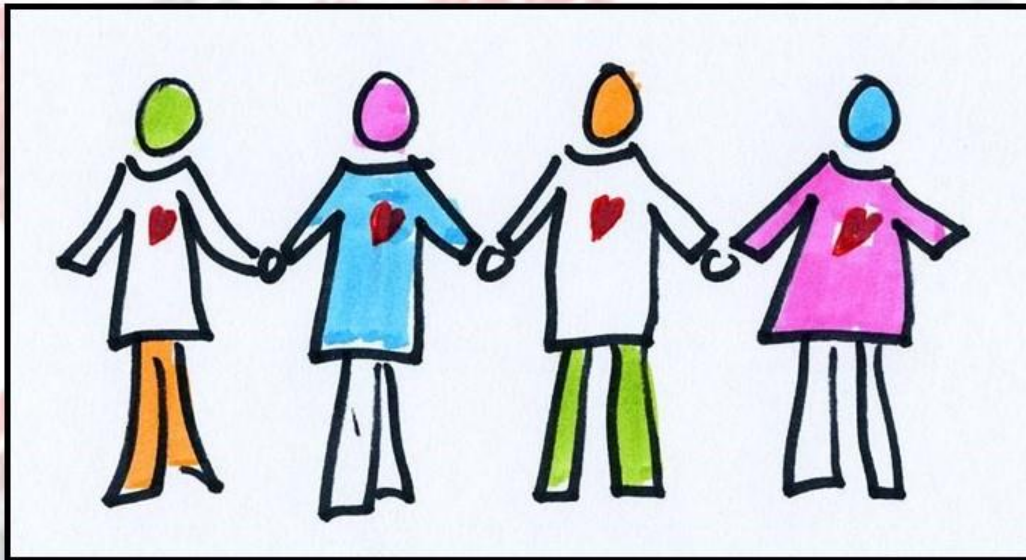


Reflection

Reasoning

Resilience

Belonging



September

Year 5 Website & Westacre Facebook & Instagram

[Year 5 | Westacre Middle School](https://www.westacre-middle-school.co.uk)
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Please ensure you have returned your photo permission form to let us know if you do give permission for your child to have their photographs online, or If you have any objections to your child having their photograph online, please do speak to the office who will update our register.



Every child who has medication or specific health or medical needs

MUST have a health care plan.

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Extra-Curricular Clubs

MONDAY

Production club, girls' football, library, cricket, running, table tennis, Year 5 football

TUESDAY

Basketball, history art

WEDNESDAY

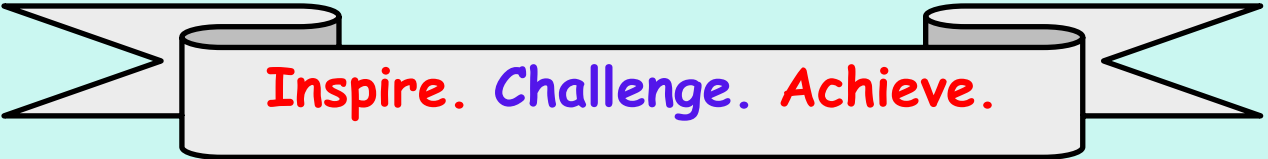
Cooking, mindfulness colouring, film, well-being, chess

THURSDAY

Choir, Year 6/7 football, art, Tchoukball

FRIDAY

Gymnastics, yoga



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Breakfast Club

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Open from 7:45am until 8:15am
Monday to Friday



No need to book, just come along if you want to

No need to book.

Just buy something to eat or drink.

Prices start at **30p**

Walk across the
Year 5 playground
to the hall
door to get there
in the mornings



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Key Dates & Enrichment

- Friday 13th Sept.- School photographs
- Thursday 26th Sept- Y5 Team Building Day (All classes in PE kit)
- Monday 30th Sept- Year 5 Homework Workshop
- Thursday 4th October - Open Day/Eve
- November 6th & 13th Learning Consultations.
- November- Visit from Black Hole Planetarium
- December 16th- Whole School Theatre Trip
- December- Westacre Christmas Production
- January- Visit from the History Man
- February & March- Class Visits to Hindu Temple
- July- Year Group Visit to Cotswold Wildlife Park .

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Communication



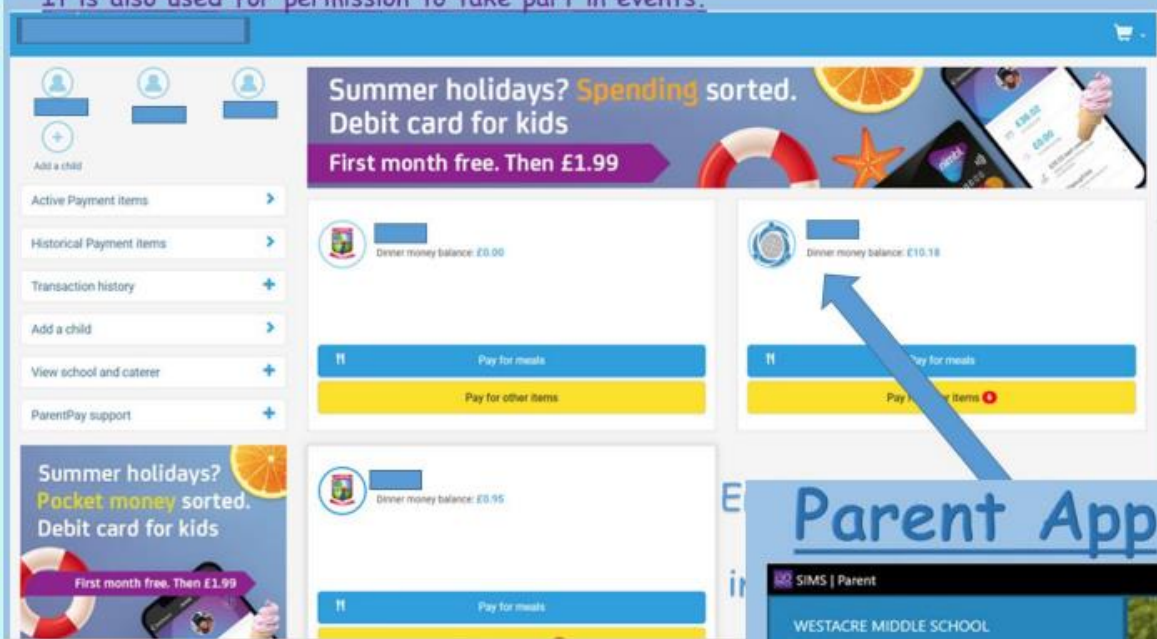
Return of Letters.

Please could our permission letters be returned as soon as possible.

(thumb print, photo permission, local visits, food tasting etc)

ParentPay- To pay for school meals and trips.

It is also used for permission to take part in events.



Email sent for SIMS o
Letter sent for Paren
Pay Login

Parent App



New Year 5 Intake

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Welcome to Westacre Middle School! We are delighted that you have chosen Westacre as the next school in your child's educational journey, and we would like to offer a very warm welcome to our school community.

Below is a video created for our new pupils to watch to find out what a day in the life of a Year 5 child at Westacre will involve! It was created in school by pupils and staff using our own technology! Parents may want to watch it as well to find out more about a normal day in school:

A Day In The Life of Year 5!

Welcome to

Below are copies of some of the letters sent to our new intake of pupils in previous years.



[Transfer Day Letter.pdf](#)



[Parents Letter June 2022.pdf](#)



[Pupil Letter June 2022.pdf](#)



[Stationery List - Sept 2022.pdf](#)



[Music letter June 2022.pdf](#)



[New intake Uniform & PE 2022.pdf](#)



[Guide to Ordering.pdf](#)



[Local visit permission.pdf](#)



[photo permission letter.pdf](#)



[data collection sheet.pdf](#)

Below are the forms that will need to be completed if your child needs any medication either on Transfer Day or when the new school year starts in September:



[individual-healthcare-plan](#)



[parental-consent-to-administer-medication](#)



[parental-consent-for-ventolin-medication](#)



[medicine policy](#)

**Letters can be found
on the Parent
Page of our website.
Please
Ask at the office
for any paper
copies.**



Visiting the class

What is going to happen next?



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