



*Success in year 5*  
*2024 - 25*

# The Upper School Team



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# Explorers' code

Courage



Curiosity



Compassion



Creativity

Ready



Safe

Respectful

Ready

- We are on time
- We wear our school uniform
- We take care of our belongings
- We follow instructions first time
- We join in and try our best

Respectful

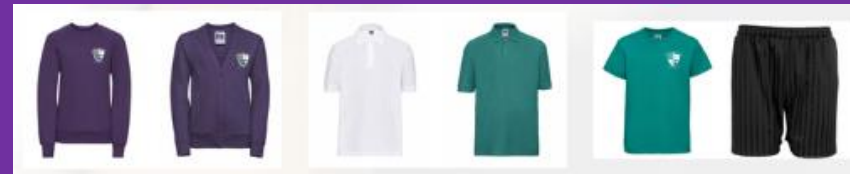
- We listen to others and expect to be listened to
- We are polite and remember our manners
- We take care of our school and its resources
- We include everyone
- We respect difference

Safe

- We use equipment safely
- We move around the school sensibly
- We act and speak kindly
- We keep ourselves safe online and in our community
- We take risks safely

# Uniform

- Purple jumper and jade green or white shirt – no hooded jumpers
- Grey or black skirt, dress or trousers
- Plain black trainers/shoes
  
- Wrist watches are welcome (no smart watches please).
- Earrings must be studs (and removed for PE)
  
- All playtimes are outside, even if it's raining, so please provide waterproofs and a spare pair of shoes/wellies.
  
- Please label everything!



# OPAL

*OPAL lunches – watch this space! Come and see the playtimes and have lunch with us.*

*Imaginations run wild with loose-parts play!*

*Outdoors whatever the weather!  
Waterproofs and wellies!*



# Healthy schools



- *Everyone must bring their own water bottle to and from school each day. Water only please.*
- *Morning snack must be healthy, e.g. a piece of fruit, vegetable sticks or dried fruit.*
- *No chocolate or sweets (may be brought in as a birthday treat)*
- *We are a citrus and nut free school.*

# PE days:

*Amazon Class –  
Monday and Tuesday*

*Autumn 1 – Tuesday = Swimming*

*Spring 2 – Tuesday = Forest school*

*Daintree Class –  
Tuesday and Thursday*

*Autumn 2 – Tuesday = Swimming*

*Summer 1 – Tuesday = Forest school*

*Redwood Class –  
Tuesday and Wednesday*

*Spring 1 – Tuesday = Swimming*

*Summer 2 – Tuesday = Forest school*

# *In year 5, we are looking forward to...*

- *History off the page Ancient Greek day – Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> September*
- *Bikeability – Monday 11<sup>th</sup> - Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> November*
- *Matilda the musical – Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> January*
- *Residential to Bath – Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> - Friday 7<sup>th</sup> March*
- *Natural History Museum – Summer term (date TBC)*
- *Upper School production (Summer term)*

# *In year 5, we are looking forward to...*

- *Parent reading workshops – Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October and Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> November 8:45-9:30*
- *Redwood class assembly – Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November*
- *Daintree class assembly – Friday 21<sup>st</sup> November*
- *Amazon class assembly – Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> November*

# Planners

- *Planners must be brought to and from school every day.*
- *Signed by the class teacher and parent every week.*
- *Record of house points, reading record, home learning, spellings.*
- *Important reference resource in lessons.*

# Home learning

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## Brain boosters!

Our non-negotiable weekly expectations.

### Reading

At least three times  
per week.

### Spelling

Practise new spellings at  
least three times per week.

KS2 - Weekly assignment on  
Spelling Shed.

### Times Tables

KS1 - practise counting  
and number bonds

KS2 - TTRS

## Home Huddles!

Shared every Friday via the app.

### Picture News

Topical news stories that we have  
explored in school to share and  
discuss as a family at home.

### Skills Builder

Challenges to complete as a family  
- designed to build children's  
essential skills at home.

## More to Explore!

Updated every term.

Optional activities designed to consolidate learning in school.

# KS2

## Reading habits

### READING

#### READ WHAT YOU LOVE

Choose books that get you excited about reading - stories, information books, graphic novels, picture books - keep trying new things and ask your teacher to help if you can't find something that you look forward to reading

#### MAKE TIME TO READ

Make sure you read at least three times a week for 20 minutes

#### EXPLORE NEW WORDS

Books are full of new and interesting words. Make a note of the new words you find and ask an adult to help you discover their meaning

# *Our learning subscriptions*

➤ *TTRS*

➤ *Spelling Shed*

# Communication

- *New app – platform for sharing updates and trip information etc.*
- *School website – where to find key learning information*

*Thank you.*

*We look forward to working with you this year!*