Welcome back Year 5 and 6

We hope that you have all had a lovely, restful summer break. We are looking forward to welcoming you back to an exciting new year. Here are a few reminders about day-to-day school routines:

Homework & Spellings
Your child will have homework set on **Friday** which they should complete and return to school by the following **Friday**. Spellings will be given on **Friday** and tested the **following Friday**. Your child will receive a Spelling Shed login.
https://www.spellingshed.com/en-gb/

In addition to this, TTrockstars is accessible to your child at home. Your child will receive a TTRockstars login.
https://play.ttrockstars.com/auth/school/student/29855

If you could provide your child with a plastic folder to store their homework books in, we would appreciate this. No ring binders please.

Reading
Your child will also bring home a reading book for you to share together, please can reading books and reading records come to school each day. Reading will take place in many formats in year 5 and 6, sometimes as a whole class, 1:1 reading, group reading to explore, class reader or shared reading with peers. **Please check you child's reading record once per week and initial/sign.**
When finished a book, children should complete a quiz on the book using their **Accelerated Reader** login. The link for accessing this is: https://global-zone61.renaissance-go.com/welcomeportal/6712400

P.E.
Oak: Monday and Tuesday
Birch: Wednesday and Thursday
Elm: Monday and Tuesday

In a change to last year- pupils are to WEAR PE kit on PE days. This is due to logistical factors this year. Year 6 will start bringing PE kit from Summer 2 to support with transition to Secondary.
Long hair must also be tied back. Please be aware that we will still go outside in the colder months, we advise your child to bring spare shoes in a plastic bag during the wetter months.
Earrings – preferably these should be removed before school on the days of P.E. lessons. If this is not possible, your child should be able to remove his/her own earrings - please provide them with a suitable container to put them in.

Water bottles and snacks
Please give your child their water in a clear, plastic named bottle for use throughout the day. Please remember that the children may only bring **fruit or prepared vegetables** to eat at snack time.

Bags
Please ensure your child has their bag with them every day. Water bottles should be carried in a separate part of the bag if possible to avoid spillages and damage to books. Please also ensure that your child is aware that they should let their class teacher know if there is an important message or letter to be passed on, in Key Stage 2 we try to encourage the children to be independent in organising themselves and their belongings. Children in Year 5 and 6 can bring their own pencil cases.

Any mobile phones should be turned off when entering the school site and stored in their locker until the end of the day.

Library
We will be using the library during the week. Your child will bring a book home and this can be changed each week.

Kind regards,

Mr Smith, Mrs Bridle, Miss Ripalunga and Mrs Copeland