



Friday 6<sup>th</sup> September 2019

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back! I hope you have enjoyed your summer break. I am thoroughly looking forward to the year ahead and know that it will be full of hard work and fun. As members of the oldest phase in the school, we have high expectations of each child to set the best example to younger children.

All children will attend swimming lessons on Tuesday mornings and it is essential that children always bring necessary kit (trunks/swimsuits/towel - goggles are optional) and bring a snack (fruit or cereal bar) to have when we arrive back in school. A coat and sensible footwear are also essential as we will be walking to Eccleshill Swimming Pool in the first half term. If for any reason your child is in school but unable to swim, please inform staff or the office so that suitable arrangements can be made for them. P.E will be on a Wednesday afternoon. It is vital that all children have the correct P.E kit to enable them to take part in every lesson. This includes suitable footwear such as pumps or trainers, as when possible, P.E will take place outside. Please ensure all your child's clothing is labelled.

Below is a brief outline of the topics we will be covering this term:

	<b>Au1 - 7 weeks</b>	<b>Au2 - 7 weeks</b>
<b>Geography/ History Driver</b>	What's so special about the USA?	Who were the Mayans and what have we learnt from them?
<b>Science Driver</b>	Can you feel the force?	Will we ever send another human to the moon?
<b>English</b>	'There's a boy in the girls' bathroom' <i>Persuasive techniques</i>	Stories from other cultures Non-chronological reports Poetic style
<b>Maths</b>	Number/ Place Value Addition/Subtraction Data and graphs	Multiplication and Division Perimeter and Area
<b>Computing</b>	Data handling	Programming
<b>Art/DT</b>	Andy Warhol study Food Technology linked to Harvest	Mayan art/structures
<b>Music</b>	Study of several genres of American music, past and present	Wartime music

<b>RE</b> <b>Buddhism + Christianity</b>	Symbols/symbolism	Special People
<b>PE</b>	Swimming Dance	Swimming Gymnastics
<b>PSCHE</b>	New Beginnings Our Happy School	Out and About Getting on & Falling out Say no to bullying

English or Maths homework will be given on a Friday and is to be handed in the following Wednesday. There will also be spellings to learn and home reading should be continued.

I am confident that we will have an enjoyable year and that with hard work; all children will achieve their best.

If you have any questions or queries, please do not hesitate to come and see me and I will help in any way I can.

Thank you for your continued support of the school.

Mrs. Davidson

Year 5 teacher.