



# Moving into Year 5

## Curriculum

When children move to Year 5 they are not changing Key Stage - Key Stage 2 covers Years 3, 4, 5 and 6. Pupils continue to work on the progressive National Curriculum objectives for Key Stage 2 but the pace and depth of learning increases. Curriculum details are on the school website - <http://sebertwoodschool.co.uk/curriculum>

## Music tuition

As part of the National Plan for Music, every pupil in Year 5 has the chance to learn a brass instrument for one hour per week, taught as a whole class by a specialist teacher alongside school staff. Each child receives a free loan instrument and at the end of the academic year they decide if they wish to continue playing. If they continue, they receive small group tuition in Year 6. There is a subsidised charge for this extra tuition.

## Transition

The children will be spending two days with their new teachers on Mon 15<sup>th</sup> and Tues 16<sup>th</sup> July. This will be a great opportunity for staff and pupils to get to know each other, begin to establish relationships and expectations.

Teachers have handover meetings where pupil information about learning, medical and any special needs are passed on.

## Home learning

Pupils receive a planner, in which they record team points, daily reading and important messages. Home learning in Year 5 follows the same format as previous Key Stage 2 classes. For further details about Home Learning, please see the Home learning menus and Learning Links section of the school website.

## Team points

Year 5 and 6 are divided into four teams – Scott, Earhart, Seacole and Armstrong. Team points are awarded for a range of achievements, team captains are chosen and a trophy for the winning team is presented in assembly each half term! A non-uniform day for the winning team is an additional reward!

## Mobile phones

Mobile phones are not permitted in class. It is up to parents to decide if they wish their child to have a mobile phone for the journey to and from school and many children in Year 5 and 6 do have them. Phones must be handed into the class teacher upon arrival, where they are securely stored until collection at the end of the day. Please note that the school accepts no liability for loss or damage to mobile phones or incidents relating to their usage outside of school.

## Wider responsibilities

As the children progress they take on wider school responsibilities such as Eco Leaders, Junior Librarians, Wellbeing Champions, Digital Leaders and Team Captains.

## Independence

An important part of being in Year 5 is developing more independence and being prepared for the move to secondary school. We encourage Year 5 pupils to make their way to and from school independently, by cycle or foot, and the vast majority of current Year 5 pupils do this. The school office will ask you to confirm permission for your child to travel to and from school independently. Attendance is monitored in exactly the same way as the rest of the school and if a pupil is late this is followed up with parents/carers as a matter of urgency.

## Key Stage Leader

Mr Wells is the Key Stage 2 Leader. He is part of the school Senior Leadership Team (SLT) and is responsible for Years 3, 4, 5 and 6. He works with the Senior Leadership Team to make strategic decisions about Key Stage 2. For any other issues, the class teacher is the first point of contact. For more serious or unresolved issues Mr Wells can be contacted, via the school office.

## Breaks and lunchtimes

Year 5 children have lunch from 12.35pm to 1.25pm. Pupils have a morning break at 10.45am and an afternoon break at 2.15pm. You may provide your child with a healthy snack if you wish, (No sweets, crisps or nuts please). Those who remain eligible for a free-school meals based on income related criteria continue to receive them and this information remains confidential.