Transition Booklet





Year 5 – Silver Birch Class

Welcome to Year 5

Welcome to Year 5! We are very much looking forward to teaching you and have a very exciting year ahead.

Teachers

Your teacher this year is Mr. Pettit

Mr. Pettit



Support staff

Your teaching assistant is called Miss Fawcett.

Miss Fawcett



Our Classroom

Our classroom is on the first floor of the KS2 building, second door from the fire exit.

We are called Silver Birch class.





Our classroom looks like this.

Safe spaces – some children have a 'safe space' outside of our classroom. Please be respectful of these areas.



Worry Box – in our classroom, on the shelf at the front, we have a 'Worry Box." If you are worried about something, you can put a note or your name in the monster and an adult will know you need some help.

<u>Curriculum</u>

In Year 5, we will be **learning** about so many exciting topics! These will include:

Learning all about the Planets including a Trip to the Leicester Space Centre!

Learning all about The Vikings and have a themed day!



Learning all about South America and making a fabric bag!



Learning all about Ancient Egypt!







School trips and shows

In Year 5, we will be bringing our learning to life by:

- Having a Viking Day where we learn more about foods, how these people dressed, customs and daily life!
- Completing a local area walk and visiting the local River
- Visiting the British
 Museum



Visiting the Space Centre in Leicester



Homework

Homework forms an important part of consolidating our learning and getting pupils into good routines for secondary school and beyond.

• <u>'Learning by Questions'</u> –
You will be set a homework
task once a week using our
online platform 'LBQ'. You
will have a QR code to

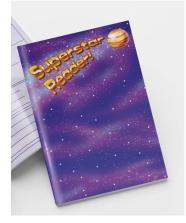


access 'LBQ'. This is due in on a Monday.

'Times Table Rockstars' –
You will need to use 'TTRS'
to practice your times
tables regularly.



 <u>Reading</u> – Reading is essential to every aspect of learning. You need to read 5 times a week and record this in your reading journal. In Year 4, you can write this in the book yourself.



 Spellings – Each half term, you will be given a spelling list to learn each week. These words will be practiced in school and should also be revised at home. Your weekly spelling test in on a Friday.

Important information

Water bottles – You will need a
water bottle to bring to school
every day with your name on it.
We put these in the tray by the sink
in our classroom.



 Lockers and pegs – You will have a locker to put your school bag in outside our classroom and a peg inside the classroom to put your coat on.



 PE day – Our PE lesson is on a Wednesday and a Friday. Please come to school that day wearing your PE kit.



 <u>Fruit snack</u> – You can bring in a pot or piece of fruit/vegetable to have as a snack at playtime.



Timings



Learning starts at 8:40
am and the register is
taken at 8:50 am and
you will enter via the
last door at the far right
of the building in the
main car park area.

The school day finishes at 3:20 pm and you will be picked up in the zones area outside the front of the main school building.

Playtime is at 10:45-11:00am and lunchtime is 12:15-1:15pm. At lunchtime, you will go out to play and will be called in to go for lunch after Year 4.

Your activity days at playtime and lunch are as follows:

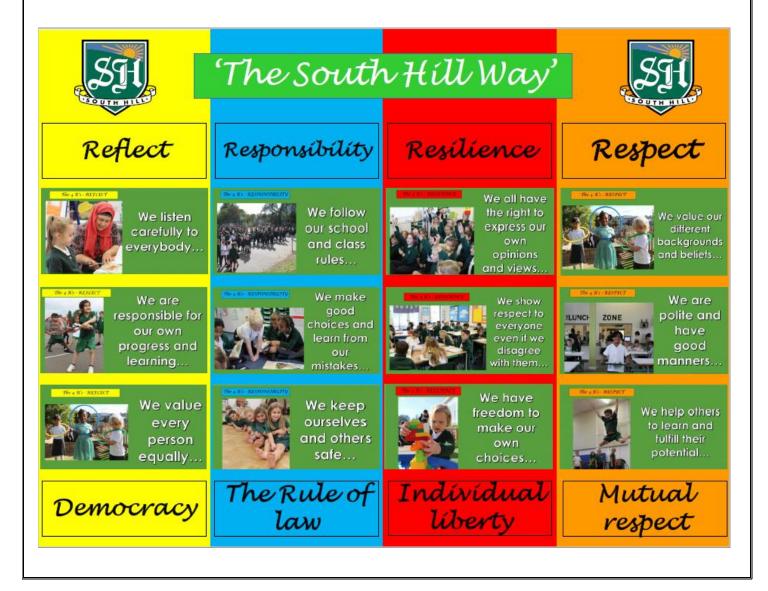
- Basketball is on a Wednesday
- Football is on a Thursday



The South Hill Way

At South Hill, we all follow our behaviour rules **The South Hill Way**.

These use **The 4 Rs** to help us know what behaviour is expected at school and these are based on promoting **British Values**, which are **democracy**, **the rule of law**, **individual liberty and mutual respect**.



Extra information for parents

Behaviour Model

Working alongside 'The South Hill Way' is our behaviour model, which details possible rewards and consequences for expected and unexpected behaviour.



South Hill Behaviour Model

Expected Behaviours

Following The South Hill Way Being Kind and Caring Showing Respect Having the right equipment Taking responsibility Listening Honesty

Sitting appropriately Taking Turns Displaying good manners Walking when inside Following class rules

Unexpected Behaviours

Physically hurting Swearing Spitting Unkindness Disrupting learning Being Rude Refusal to follow instructions

Damaging school property Wandering around Passing notes Racist/Homophobic language Stopping yourself or others from learning

Incentives

Stickers Certificates Extra golden time Class rewards House Points Extra break time Head Teacher Award Speaking to Parents

Teaching

Modelling behaviour Conversation Verbal/ Specific Praise Reminder of expectations PSHE/Zones/Circle time Catch the Good

Consequence

Time away (reflection) Minutes off: Break/Lunch/Golden Time Modelling Time in another class Catch up missed work (At Home/break time) Speaking to Parents Speaking to Senior Leader

Teaching

Conversation

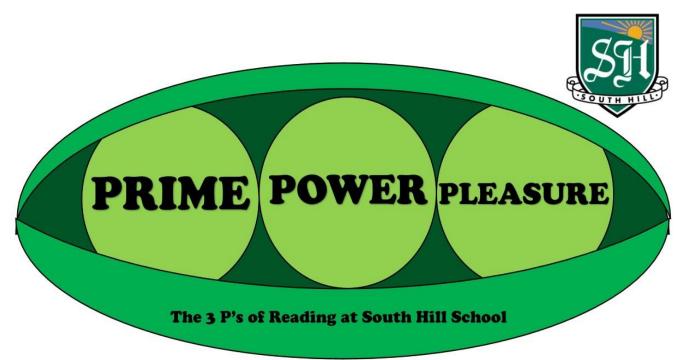
Restorative conversation Social stories/Comic strip conversations Reminder of expectations Verbal Warning PSHE/Zones/Circle Time

Reading books and reading records

At the start of their reading journey, pupils will have three types of reading books: Prime, Power and Pleasure. When pupils graduate from the Read Write Inc phonics scheme, they will have two types of books – Power and Pleasure.

Prime books will be changed **twice a week** on a **Monday and Friday. Your library day is on a Friday.** Pupils can choose a reading book they would like to read from their colour book band.

Pupils are expected to read regularly at home and have their reading record signed by an adult **5 times per week** in their reading record book.



PRIME Books are linked to a RWInc Book that is used in phonics sessions and has matching sounds. These books are essential for decoding and for early reading.

POWER Books are levelled by book bands, they are from a variety of reading schemes. These books give a structured approach to children developing their reading further.

PLEASURE Books are 'real books' found in the school library and class reading areas.

How can I help my child at home?

We would really encourage you to talk to your child regularly about what they have been learning about in school. A good starting point could be:

"Tell me about your day."

We would also recommend:

- <u>Reading</u>- Ensure your child is reading at least 5 times a
 week and ask them questions about what they have
 read to ensure they understand and develop their
 comprehension skills. Read books to your child and try
 to use a wide variety of genres and types of book.
- Verbal feedback- Ask your child about their learning daily and find out about their school day. Ask them what conversations they have had with their class teacher about their learning.
- Homework routine Set a weekly timetable so that your child gets into a good routine of doing homework, including reading, practising their spellings and times tables and completing homework tasks.
- Learning through play- Use games at home to practise key learning skills. For example, you could ask your child to write a story, act out a play, write a shopping list together, make a model, show you another way of completing a maths calculation the possibilities are endless!



School Uniform Policy

At South Hill School we believe that school uniform can play a key role in providing a sense of belonging and identity. Parents and carers are asked to ensure that pupils follow the School Uniform Policy. We are proud of our pupils and the way they are dressed at school.

Uniform may be purchased online from Mapac, who stock all uniform, including items with the school's crest. Non-branded items may be purchased from a variety of retailers. Please be aware that ordering uniform from Mapac can take up to two weeks.

https://www.mapac.com/education/parents/uniform/southhillprimaryHP1

Pre-loved uniform is available from the school/PTA. Please contact the school office.

School uniform for all pupils

- White blouse or white polo shirt (with or without school crest)
- Grey skirt, pinafore or grey trousers
- Bottle green sweatshirt, cardigan or fleece (with or without school crest)
- White, grey or black socks, or grey or black tights
- Footwear: sensible black school shoes (not trainers)

Summer uniform

- Grey shorts
- Green and white striped or checked school dress or playsuit
- Sun hat or cap

Outdoor wear

• Warm, waterproof coat for outdoor breaks and lunchtimes

PE kit for all pupils (to be worn on PE days)

- Green PE T-shirt
- Plain black or green shorts
- Black cycling shorts
- Plain black or green joggers
- School fleece
- Black or white trainers

Forest School

- Wellies or old trainers
- A waterproof coat
- Additional outerwear according to weather (eg gloves, hats, sun hats etc)

Reception and KS1 pupils must have a book bag or rucksack in green or black

KS2 pupils must have a rucksack in green or black

Hair - All pupils with long hair should have their hair tied back

Nail Varnish - Nail varnish is <u>not</u> permitted

Earrings – Stud earrings only. No earrings should be worn on PE days. If they are, pupils are responsible for removing earrings or taping them up. No other jewellery to be worn (with the exception of religious artefacts, which must be removed for PE)

Please name all school uniform, so that it can be reunited with its owner if it is mislaid.

Unnamed lost property is regularly displayed outside the KS1 entrance by the hall.

Unclaimed uniform is disposed of at the end of each term.



