**Year 5 and 6**

**Term 1 2019**

Welcome back! Hope you have all had a wonderful summer and are all ready and eager to learn!

With the start of a new year comes new houses and class names! Children will now be placed within 4 different houses across the school, where they will be able to earn points which will go towards prizes and rewards! The houses will be named after mountains!

* Ben Nevis,
* Snowdon,
* Scafell Pike,
* Slieve Donard!

Your child will be notified of their house once these are completed. Each class has also been given a new name. Every class is now a different type of bird, with each one growing in size as they come through the school.

* Mr Donnelly’s class are now called Falcon’s
* Mrs Beaumont’s class are now called Kestrel’s
* Miss Peapell’s class are now called Golden Eagle’s

**Homework:**

Homework will be given to children in their own paper wallets. It will be their responsibility to look after these and ensure they are handed in on time. Children will be given weekly homework, for English and Maths. The Maths work will be accompanied with a cover sheet which will model and explain how to complete the task and when it must be handed in by. They will also have weekly spellings to practice at home ready for their test.

**Reading:**

Children have new reading records and have selected a book of the correct level/stage to read at home. The aim is for children to read every night, they do not have to complete a whole book every night but we would like them to read approximately 5 pages, depending on the text. Children are able to read other texts at home and this can be recorded in their reading records too but they must be reading their school book too.

**PE:**

Falcons: Monday and Friday

Kestrels: Tuesday and Friday

Golden Eagles: Monday and Friday

PE kit: Black, grey or navy shorts or tracksuit bottoms. White or light blue tops. Both tops and trousers must be plain. All children will also need trainers.

**Dojo:**

Please ensure you are signed onto **Dojo**! This is an easy way for us to easily stay in contact and communicate effectively.

**End of the day:**

If your child is allowed to walk home alone, please let us know as this supports our safeguarding policy.

We look forward to working alongside you this year and aim to keep you as updated as we can.

Thank you.

Miss Peapell, Mr Donnelly and Mrs Beaumont

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