

### Message from Mrs Louden

#### Welcome to Upper Key Stage 2

Welcome back to the new school year. I hope that you all had a wonderful summer. It has been lovely to see all the children back in school, happy, eager and enthusiastic to be in their new classes. The teaching staff who will be working with UKS2 are:

- Year 6 – Mr Watson
- Year 5/6 – Mr Lee
- Year 5 – Mrs Louden & Mrs Greenwood

The teaching assistants who will be working in UKS2 are:

- Mrs Campbell, Mrs Miles, Mrs Markey, Mrs Hewitt

Remember to sign up for your child's new class twitter page to receive any updates and to keep up to date with the fantastic things next academic year will bring!

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### UKS2 Email Address

Please do not hesitate to contact me via email ([uks2lead@daneroyd.com](mailto:uks2lead@daneroyd.com)) with any queries you have. This email address provides a quick way to get in touch with myself so that any enquiries can be dealt with promptly.

### Water bottles and snack

We ask children to bring in their own water bottles from home. Children can take their bottles home daily to be washed. Please note, only water is allowed in water bottles. Due to time-tabling reasons, on a Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, the children in UKS2 have their lunch at a slightly later time of 12.30. As a result, you may wish to consider sending in a piece of fruit for your child to eat at morning break as some children may find the wait between their breakfast and lunchtime causes them to feel peckish.

There will also be the option of purchasing school milk. Further information will be sent out regarding this.



### PE Days

All classes will have a timetabled day for their PE sessions. On this day, children will need to come to school in the appropriate PE kit.

Year 5 – Wednesday

Year 5/6 – Monday

Year 6 – Monday



#### PE Kit:

- Plain black joggers, leggings, shorts or skorts (weather dependent)
- A plain white round-necked t-shirt or polo shirt
- Trainers
- Earrings and watches must be removed prior to the lesson and long hair must be tied up.

### Doors

Class 6W and 5/6L will enter school through the cloakroom door next to the playing field. Class 5GL will enter the building via the classroom door next to the hall on the EYFS side of the school.

## Curriculum

We have some amazing topics which we cover in UKS2! Please see below the key themes we will be studying this year. We will be hosting a Curriculum meeting early in the autumn term where we will discuss our Curriculum offer in further detail and answer any questions you may have about the year ahead.

Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
The Americas	It's not too late — An environmental study looking at climate change	Murderous Maya - Understanding a non-European society that provides contrasts with British history - the Mayans. <i>How does one of the earliest non-European society contrasts with British early history</i>		Up the Chimney's Down the Mines - Local Area Study Coal Mining in the local area and how it has changed since the Victorian period	Down t'pit - Local comparative study

## Year 6 Statutory Assessments

Information evenings regarding Year 6 SATs will be held later in the academic year, however, we would like to share the assessment dates with you as early as possible.

**The key stage 2 tests are timetabled from Monday 13<sup>th</sup> May 2024**

**A polite note: we ask for holidays or leave of absence not to be taken in Year 6 assessment week as we have to complete the assessments based on the DfE timetable.**

## Summer Homework Project

Over the Summer, we asked for all of the children across school to create a mood board to illustrate their individual reading practices and experiences. This was set as a Summer homework task. Their mood boards can include photographs, drawings, writing, magazine cut-outs etc – the children can be as creative as they like! Class teachers will share their own mood boards with the children over the next few weeks. Please can these be handed in to the class teacher as soon as possible so that we can put together our class mood board books. You should have received a Parent Mail with further details regarding this homework project.

