Dear Parent,

I hope you have had a relaxing summer and I am sure your child is ready to start the new school year, so welcome to Class Five.

I am looking forward to getting started again and working together in order to have a very enjoyable and successful year. I hope that your child enjoys the new challenges that they face and will rise to them.

This term we will be studying the following topics: Brazil, Evolution and Inheritance and answering the question 'Why should gunpowder, treason and plot never be forgotten?' Our first Literacy book will be Skellig. We will be using the White Rose maths materials during maths lessons. RE and French will be stand-alone subjects.

A full PE kit needs to be brought into school every Friday. In the case of a child forgetting their PE kit, they will lose 5 minutes of their golden time. If your child requires an inhaler, please make sure there is one in school at all times.

Spellings will be given out every Monday and Wednesday with tests on Wednesday and Friday. Numeracy and Literacy homework, when needed, will be given out on Friday and is to be completed and returned to school by the following Wednesday. This allows ample time for completion. I would also like to remind you that reading is part of your child's homework and is essential to their learning. An adult should listen to the child read at least five times a week. Weekly rewards will be given to any child who reads five times and achieves our 'Strive for Five' target. Children will be questioned on the content of their weekly reading to ensure they comprehend what they read. All of this information is also inside your child's reading journal.

Punctuality is very important and tardiness causes disruption. The children must be lined up at 8.45 am to begin the school day.

I have high expectations, both in and out of the classroom, regarding behaviour. Inappropriate behaviour will be dealt with accordingly.

Lastly, please ensure that you have your child's name on all school clothing.

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to ask.

Kind regards

Mr Lucey