



Furzeham Primary and Nursery School

'Inspired to learn, inspired for life'

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Dear Parent/ Carers,

We hope you had a lovely Summer holidays and enjoyed the sunshine when it was out and about. We are ready to start another exciting year and hope your children are looking forward to all that Year 5 brings.

This term's topic is 'Boils, Bites and Beasties' which is looking at the Tudor era with a focus on Henry VIII. It is a fantastic history topic looking at the changes Henry VIII brought about. We are certain the children will love it and all the gory parts.

We will of course be covering a range of subjects with a focus on Maths, Spellings, Writing and Reading in the morning. The children will work as a whole class, in a range of groups, in pairs and independently throughout the year which will hopefully allow them to grow in confidence and share their fantastic ideas.

As times tables become more key in order to solve a range of maths problems, please encourage and help your children to learn and practice all the tables up to 12 x 12 so that they have quick recall of them rather than counting up through each tables. Please also ask your child to read for 10 minutes each evening and record this in to their home school link books so that we continue to see great results within the accelerated reader scheme.

Home learning will be set on a Friday and it is expected to be completed by the following Thursday. As your child moves in to Upper Key Stage Two, the expectations will be higher and home learning will help your child reach these expectations alongside the work they do in school.

Can we ask that all PE kits are in school on a Monday and can be taken on a Friday for washing and changing.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Thank you for your continued support,

Mrs Chapman and Mrs Hopper