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Dear parents and carers of Year 5,

Welcome back! I hope you had a safe and relaxing summer holiday and are ready for an exciting year in Year 5. It has been so lovely seeing all of the children back in school and they have already settled in so well. I hope you are all looking forward to the year as much as I am!

This half term our topic is Ancient Greece. We will be learning about ancient Greek culture and society and the impact that it still has today. We will be creating Greek vases using paper Mache in our art lessons and we will be creating our own dance sequence linked to the Ancient Greek Olympic games in our indoor PE lessons. Our class texts link to our topic. We will be reading a range of Greek myths including Theseus and the Minotaur. We will also be reading the Odyssey and writing our own stories based on this.

In order to make the children's learning as effective as possible, please note the following arrangements. As in previous years, home learning will be uploaded on to Google Classroom on Thursday each week and will be due in on the following Tuesday. Our PE days are Wednesday and Friday; the children should come into school in their PE kit on these days.

Please support your child with home learning by providing a calm and quiet space in which they can complete their homework and can read their books. This year, I am encouraging the children to reflect on what they have read in their reading records. The children have stuck some prompt questions into the front of their reading record, which they can use to help themselves with ideas about what to write. The children should bring their books and reading records to school every day of the week. I will check that they have their reading records and that they have written a short entry in them every day. They will also be provided with time during the school day to read independently and to write entries in their reading records.

If you would like your child to go home alone, please ensure that you have signed the letter and that we have received your permission. This letter can be collected from the school office.

If you would like to meet with me to discuss the progress of your child or any other concerns, please email the school to arrange an appointment. I am available after school on Tuesdays through to Fridays.

I am looking forward to working with you this year to help your child succeed to their full potential. I am looking forward to a fun and exciting year full of challenge and inspiration. If there is anything I can do to help you in supporting your child, please let me know.

Kind regards,

Miss Potts

Year 5 teacher



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