

# Welcome to Badger Class



This letter will tell you a few things about what it will be like to be in Badger Class.

## The adults who will be in your new class:

This year, Mrs Turner will be your teacher on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays and Mrs Davidson will be your teacher on Thursdays and Fridays. Mrs Gandy is in class every morning. Miss Flowers will be taking you for PE on Wednesday afternoons and Thursday mornings.

## What you need to have in school:

You will need to bring in:

- A named waterproof coat (thin in the summer, warmer in the winter)
- A named sunhat and sun cream in the warmer months
- A named bottle containing water

You will also need:

- A named art apron (an oversized shirt is fine) which you can hang on your peg
- A pair of named wellies in a bag to use for wet lunchtimes. This will be left on pegs. You may wish to bring a pair of waterproof trousers also.

Please come to school in your PE kit on Wednesdays and Thursdays. As a reminder, this should consist of:

- A t-shirt in your team colour which may have the school logo on or be plain (no other logos on please)
- Plain black or navy jogging bottoms / leggings / shorts
- A plain jumper/ fleece or your school jumper
- Trainers.
- Please no watches, jewellery or earrings to be worn for PE and long hair tied back.

You will not need your school uniform on PE days.

## Classroom routines:

- When we come into school in the mornings, we settle down at our desks and complete a SPAG and High 5 maths challenge silently while the teacher takes the register. This helps us to focus our minds and gets us ready to learn for the rest of the day.
- We read silently after lunch every day to settle ready for a fun packed afternoon of even more learning.
- We keep our water bottles in the trays by the sink, not on our tables. You are more than welcome to grab a drink when you need to, but we ask you to avoid doing this during whole class teaching time. We encourage you to get into the habit of drinking first thing in the morning, during and after playtimes and lunchtimes and at the end of the day rather than interrupting your learning time.

- We encourage children in Year 5 to avoid using the toilet during lesson times as much as possible, and to remember to go at playtime and lunchtime. We will have toilet passes available to use for emergencies during class time but again, if you have to go, please pick an appropriate moment, not during whole class teaching and learning time.
- You will collect a new AR reading book from us in September which will live on your desks and go home every night for reading to your grown-ups. It would be great to keep up the reading habit during the summer holidays; why not enter the library reading challenge this summer? [Summer Reading Challenge](#)
- We expect you to continue to spend at least 15 minutes on TTRS each week. We will check this on a Friday and reward those of you who go over and above. Every day 3 children from the class will have priority to use the class iPads for TTRS if they wish so everyone gets a turn roughly once a fortnight.
- As year 5s, it is our responsibility to man the Huff and Puff shed at lunchtimes. We do this in teams of 3 which means everyone gets a 'shift' again roughly once a fortnight. We will sort this out and other responsibilities in September.
- Finally, we will keep your adults updated with all the lovely learning and fun that we are having via our class webpage [Hingham Primary School - Badger class - Year 5](#) You will also find copies of important letters and useful links there. Information for you will be uploaded in September but feel free to have a look at what we have been doing with our current class.

**A few other reminders:**

- Please make sure no fidget toys or belongings from home are brought into school (unless this is part of your child's agreed education plan). As always, we will provide you with all the equipment that you need for learning so there is no need for your lovely pencils cases and stationery to come in to school with you.
- Remember to fill water bottles with water to drink in the classroom. Bottles containing juice or squash will need to remain in the corridor in your bags.

**To get ready for Year 5 it would be useful if:**

- Continue practising your times tables using TTRS throughout the summer. You never know, we might even give out special certificates for those children who do!
- Read, read, read!

**Information telling you about the things that we will be learning in the Autumn Term, as well as any further updates, will be sent to you at the beginning of September.**

We look forward to seeing you soon.  
Have a great summer!

Mrs Davidson and Mrs Turner