

Year 5 Newsletter 2025-2026



Introduction and welcome

Welcome to Year 5! Mr Roberts is the Beech Class teacher and Mrs Groves is the Cedar Class teacher. Mrs Mildenhall, Mr Seath, and Mr Javeer and Miss Caldwell Holmes are the year groups LSAs and will work in both classrooms, as well as with mixed groups across the year group. Mr McGettigan, will also support learning groups throughout the year.



Mr Roberts



Mrs Groves



Mrs Mildenhall



Mr Seath



Miss Caldwell - Holmes



Mr Jaweer

Home school communication

There are opportunities to speak to your child's class teacher after school on the playground at the end of the school day. Please also do feel free to pass on brief messages in the morning. If a longer discussion is required, please contact the office team who will arrange for your child's teacher to phone you. We do ask that parents do not email teachers directly. Teachers and the senior leadership team can be contacted via email using admin@weeke.hants.sch.uk
We look forward to be able to invite parents in for curriculum events throughout the year.

Timetable Information

Mr Roberts' Leadership time on Thursday mornings will be covered by Mr McGettigan (a qualified teacher and forest schools lead). Mrs Groves and Mr Roberts will have PPA

(planning, prep and assessment) time on Thursday afternoons and this will be covered by Mrs Mildenhall and Mrs Caldwell - Holmes. Children will have outdoor PE lessons on a Wednesday and indoor PE lessons on a Tuesday so please make sure children have their PE kits in school at the beginning of each week. We would ask the children to leave their PE kits in school all week if possible.

Behaviour

We are proud of the good behavior in our school and work alongside our families to promote our school values of respect, responsibility, kindness and excellence. Our behaviour policy, which is based on our school values, is available on our school website - [Weeke Primary School - Policies](#)

In Years 5, the children can earn house points for individual achievement and demonstrating school values. Teachers will keep track of these and children will be able to follow their progress, using the Class Dojos system. This system will also collate the house points for the children's coloured teams. As well as continuing house team rewards, we will be developing individual rewards when they reach certain benchmarks throughout the year.

Home learning

Home learning is optional, however we encourage the children to read every day as well as practicing key skills such as spellings linked to our current class spelling rule, and times tables using TT Rockstars and Doodle Maths (more information to follow).

Reading

We believe every child is a reader and wholeheartedly promote a love of reading. As stated above, we expect children to read daily at home. We hope that they have found books they enjoy and it just becomes a positive daily experience rather than a chore! In school, children will choose a 'sticker read' - a book that should be well suited to your child's reading ability (children doing the KS2 phonics intervention will have a previous week's phonics book instead). 'Sticker read' books need to be in school each day as we give the children time to read these in class most mornings.

As well as this, children will have the chance to visit the library regularly to select and change any book they would like to read at home for enjoyment. Children may also wish to bring into school the book they are reading at home, this is fine as long as your child can read the book independently.

We will also use a class text to teach daily reading lessons.

Children also have access to e-books through the Hampshire Library Service and the SORA app. Please refer to the relevant page of our school website (link below) for further information, if your child hasn't yet accessed this facility.

[Weeke Primary School - School Library](#)

Curriculum Overview

Updated curriculum overviews which accompany this newsletter will also be saved on the school website - [Weeke Primary School - Year 5 Beech & Cedar](#)

Supporting your child's learning

Please check your child's Google Classroom page regularly for home learning links and ideas for supporting learning. Please email the office directly with any password problems admin@weeke.hants.sch.uk

Helping in school

We welcome parent/carer helpers in school. If you are able to come in to school on a regular basis, even for just an hour per week to support children's learning in class or listen to readers, we would be very grateful. Please contact the school office adminoffice@weeke.hants.sch.uk or speak to your child's class teacher. All volunteers will need to be DBS checked.

Attendance

One of the most important ways in which you can support children's learning and education is by ensuring they attend school as regularly as possible. If you're not sure whether you should send your child in, please don't hesitate to contact us or check our website for more information: [Weeke Primary School - Attendance](#)
At Weeke Primary School, we have a strong ethos and emphasis on attendance and punctuality. We know from experience and research that ensuring a child's attendance is kept high supports their education, well-being and future success. Attendance really does matter.

Uniform

Children should wear Weeke Primary School uniform, as detailed on our school website: [Uniform Information - Weeke Primary School](#)
Please note that only plain hair accessories only may be worn. Large bows or bright coloured ribbons woven into braids are not acceptable hair accessories. Hoodies are not school uniform and should not be worn to school.

PE

Please remember that PE kits are part of school uniform. PE tshirts do not have to be branded, but do need to be in your child's correct house team colour.
PE kits need to be kept in school.

Playtimes and Lunchtimes

Please ensure your child has a coat or light waterproof at school with them. Children do continue to play outside in the rain.

We ask that children who choose to bring their own snack from home, only bring in fruit, vegetables, plain bread rolls, rice cakes or similar. Crisps or biscuits are not appropriate play time snacks. For sugar swap suggestions, please refer to <https://www.nhs.uk/change4life/food-facts/sugar/sugar-swaps-for-kids#snack-swaps>

Nuts or nut products (e.g. Nutella, peanut butter, nut bars) should not be brought in to school as snacks or in lunchboxes as we have a number of children who have a severe allergy to tree nuts and peanuts.

Collection from school

Please let staff know if your child is being collected by someone other than their usual parent/carer.

Year 5 & 6 only - if you are happy for your child to walk, scoot or cycle home from school independently, please contact the school via email to ensure we are aware of this. Children cycling to and from school must wear a helmet at all times.

Birthdays

We ask that sweets or cakes are not brought in to school as we have a number of children with food allergies and intolerances.

Dress up days and unwanted outfits

We would love your good quality used / unwanted dress up outfits for our themed days in school. Please pass to your child's class teacher.

Keeping up to date

It is vital that the school office has your up to date contact details. Please 'like' our school Facebook page, the WPSA page and check the fortnightly 'In The News' for school news.

- Newsletters are available via our website: [Weeke Primary School - Letters & Communications](#)
- The calendar is available here: [Weeke Primary School - Calendar](#)

Joining our school

Do you know someone who is interested in their child joining our school? See our information on open days: [Weeke Primary School - 2025-2026 Open Days](#)
e News' for school news.