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Dear Parents/Carers,

With the current year having been cut short, I am thrilled to be following the current Year 4s on their journey through Upton, joining them again in Year 5 as their head of year. I already know many of you through my time in Year 4 and am very much looking forward to spending next year getting to know the rest of you even better. This year group is a wonderful group of children and I am over the moon to be spending another year with them!

As you are already aware from Miss Arthur's letter, there will be some small changes to school next year to ensure the safety and well-being of all children at Upton. I would like to take this opportunity to explain a few of the things more pertinent to Year 5 in a little more detail.



Next year, we will be ensuring that children get outside as much as possible for daily exercise and to complete learning activities, come rain or shine. We ask that all children bring in a spare pair of trainers or wellington boots, as well as a light rain jacket or anorak, which will stay in their lockers. To ensure an appropriate level of social distancing can be maintained, we will be using the field as much as possible at break and lunchtimes, even if it is a little wet or muddy, so having a spare pair of trainers which children can change out of when they come back into the classroom will be important.

Children will be back to regular school uniform from September, other than on PE days. PE next year for Year 5 will be on **Tuesday** for **5B**, **5R** and **5Y** and on **Wednesday** for **5G**. On PE days, children will need to arrive in school wearing their PE kits which they will wear for the entire day, to avoid the need for changing in school.

Collection at the end of the day will not be from the playground as previous but will be from external classroom doors, the only exception being 5R as it is an internal classroom with no external door to the playground - parents will need to go to the hall door and ring the doorbell which will be placed there.

I am very excited about next year and just know we are going to have a fantastic year in Year 5. Myself and the rest of the Year 5 team are itching to get started and can't wait for September to roll around and welcome back all children to Upton once more. In the meantime, should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to get in contact. My email address is tom.white@uptonjunior.com

Kind regards,

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