# Rhosddu Primary School - Information for Parents

## Welcome to Year 5/6

# Teaching Staff:

Mr Whittaker – Class G (Year 5) Mrs Jebb and Mrs Aldridge – Class H (Year 5/6) Mr Owen and Mrs Davies – Class I (Year 6)

## <u>Teaching Assistants</u>

Mrs Heath and Mrs Koswaththage

### What is your child learning this year?

As well as Literacy, Numeracy and Digital skills, there are 6 areas of learning and experience. Everything your child learns will be connected to these areas.

### Language, Literacy & Communication

Your child will develop their ability to communicate effectively both orally and in writing, and to read with understanding, fluency and enthusiasm. Your child will develop their knowledge of Welsh through speaking and listening, reading and writing.

#### Mathematics & Numeracy

Your child will develop skills within number, handling data, measures and money, and shape, position and movement. Learning takes place through whole class, group, pair and individual work. Your child's understanding of an individual topic can then be challenged and extended, or supported, as appropriate. Your child's problem solving skills will also be enhanced using a wide variety of differentiated materials.

# <u>Topic</u>

The remaining areas of learning and experience which will be taught throughout our topic work are: Humanities, Science and Technology, Expressive Arts and Health and Well-being. Digital skills will also be taught across all areas of learning and experience. We will use different topics over the course of the year to create meaningful links across the curriculum. In Autumn term, we will begin with a topic based on Wrexham becoming a city. Please keep an eye on the website for further information and greater detail about our topic work

Please note: Religious Education and Relationship and Sexuality Education is now mandatory in the New Curriculum for Wales. Teachers will ensure that lessons are developmentally appropriate.

#### P.E.

As well as a games / PE lessons every week, your child will have:

- A gym lesson at Queensway (Monday)
- A swimming lesson at Waterworld (Thursday)

We will communicate the dates this will take place for your child's class at the relevant time.

Your child <u>always</u> needs to have the following in school in a kit bag with all of their items named:

- ✓ White t-shirt
- ✓ Navy / black shorts
- ✓ Pumps for inside
- ✓ Trainers for outside
- ✓ Warm clothes for outside (navy / black tracksuit bottoms or leggings)

Long hair must be tied back for all PE lessons. Stud earrings are allowed for swimming and PE lessons but must be removed, or covered with a plaster at home, for gymnastics lessons.

#### Water Bottles

It is important for the children to bring in a sports bottle of water (no juice or squash) to which they have access throughout the day.

## Morning break

Children can bring in a healthy snack for break time. We operate a healthy snack policy (no crisps, chocolate, fizzy drinks or other foods high in sugar). Please ensure that no food containing nuts are brought onto school grounds due to severe allergies of children in our school.

# <u>Reading books</u>

Books will be sent home every week and must be read and returned by the following Wednesday so that your child is ready and able to access their Reading lesson in class.

#### <u>Homework</u>

Homework will be a mix of paper based and on Google Classrooms. Some Maths will be set on the Abacus website (further details to follow). Homework will be Maths and spelling based activities.

If you have any queries please feel free to approach your child's class teacher to make an appointment. We look forward to getting to know your child this year. Mr Owen, Mr Whittaker, Mrs Jebb, Mrs Aldridge and Mrs Davies