**Welcome to YEAR 5/6 JW**

My name is Mr Woods and I am one of the teachers in Year 5/6.

I have been teaching in primary schools for 10 years, specialising in Physical Education and teaching predominantly in Years 5 and 6. From September 2023, I will be on the Senior Leadership Team and leading PE and enrichment for the academy. My favourite part of teaching is seeing the holistic development that children can make, especially through wider school experiences in sport and enrichment, and in turn, developing confidence, leadership and respect for others

Outside of school, I enjoy spending time absorbed in physical activity, whether it’s watching or participating in football, cricket, running, hiking. I love to read autobiographies about inspiring human figures and enjoy spending time with friends and family.



**THE SCHOOL DAY:** School begins at 8.40am on Wednesday 6th September and our day ends at 3.15pm. Our classroom can be found by entering through the door at the end of the new building. Children will need to come to school in their uniform with a bag and water bottle. Please make sure these are clearly labelled with full names. Our Teaching Assistant will be Mrs Barker, who is experienced in UKS2, and the children know her very well.

**UNIFORM:** All children in KS2 should wear a white collared shirt and tie; a navy jumper or cardigan; grey skirt or trousers and closed black shoes – not trainers.

**PE KIT:** PE kit should consist of a navy T-shirt and navy shorts. For colder months, navy hoodies and jogging bottoms. These should all be plain and have no logos. Alternatively, school branded PE kit can be purchased.

**HOMEWORK:** Homework will be set every week (on a Friday) via Class Dojo with a focus on either English or Maths. You can return the homework by the following Friday via Class Dojo so we can see it. If you require paper copies of the homework, please just let us know. We also encourage you to read at home with your child at least 3 times a week and practise their spellings and times tables with them on a regular basis.

**MOBILE PHONES:** Children are not allowed to bring mobile phones into school unless absolutely necessary. For example, walking home by themselves. If they do need to bring one, they are to be turned off before entering the school gates and handed to a teacher as soon as they enter the classroom. They are to remain turned off until your child has left the school gates.

**WALKING HOME:** If your child will be walking home from school by themselves, you will need to collect a permission form from the office.

**I hope you have a fantastic summer holiday with your families.**

**I am really looking forward to being your class teacher in September.**

**Kind regards, Mr Woods**