



Year 4/5 Expectations

PE and Swimming

In Year 4/5, you will do indoor and outdoor Physical Education twice per week. We expect you to be wearing your PE kit on your PE days, instead of normal school uniform.

Thorndown PE kit is a plain white t-shirt with black shorts or joggers. For safety, tracksuit tops **without** hoods are preferable. No jewellery can be worn and long hair must be tied back.

All Year 4 children will have the opportunity to go swimming at some point during the year. We walk down to the local swimming pool at One Leisure.



Reading



It is very important that you have your school reading book with you every day. We have lots of books to choose from in school – some may be kept in your classroom, some may be kept in the pod outside your classroom and lots are kept in The Discovery Suite.

Each class will listen to their chosen class novel throughout the week. Sometimes this will be linked to their class topic or learning, and sometimes this will be chosen because it is simply a brilliant book!

The KS2 team have put together 'Our Top Picks' which is a list of books we recommend you read while you are in each phase. You can find a list of the recommended Year 3/4 books, or Year 5/6 books in the 'Links & Resources' section.

When you are in Year 4/5, you will be given a reading diary to use. It is crucial that you read daily at home and that this is logged in your diary. Teachers will check the reading diaries once per week and you will be rewarded if you have read 5 times.

Homework

In Year 4/5, you will be given a piece of weekly arithmetic homework. This will link to the skill you have learnt in class that week.

Doing daily activities at home (such as playing on TTRS and reading your reading book) as well as completing your homework, will really support your learning in the classroom.

Your teachers are always available to help you with your homework if you have a question.



Crystal Code of Conduct

At Thorndown, we all follow our Crystal Code of Conduct for behaviour. We have 5 whole school rules that we try to follow at all times:

We are kind.

We are honest.

We are respectful.

We are safe.

We are resilient and try our best.

When you demonstrate behaviour that is over and above what your teachers and adults expect, you will be rewarded by moving up the crystal. This may include getting verbal praise, a smiley, a class voucher, a postcard from the Team Leader or a letter from the Headteacher.

If you demonstrate behaviour that is not what your teachers and adults expect, you will unfortunately move down the crystal. This may include getting a verbal warning, 5 minutes of reflection time, 10 minutes of reflection time, 15 minutes with the Team Leader or a letter from the Headteacher. We don't like children moving down the crystal, so your teacher will look for opportunities where you are making good choices and may move you back up the crystal.

