Dear Pupils, Parents and Carers of Year 5, My name is Mr Hannan and I am the new Year 5 teacher at Whitfield St James'. I am really excited to get the school year started as I have lots of fun things planned and I can't wait to meet you all. We will be known as Azalea class! To start with, I would like to introduce myself. I am originally from New Mills but have spent the last 4 years teaching in Barnsley. I love all things sports, S S especially football and I always look for opportunities to get my class active. In my free time I enjoy keeping active and seeing my friends. I also have a great love for animals; I currently have 2 cats but cannot wait to get a dog! The reason I became a teacher is to make the school experience enjoyable for all, providing the best education and opportunities possible. I understand that every child is different but I have high expectations of all my children. I pride myself on building positive relationships and giving children the support to become reflective learners that can take ownership of their learning and behaviour, working together to achieve our best. Our first topic will be called 'Off with her head!' and on Monday 13th September we have our first "WOW day" if the children could come to school in their best Tudor period clothing, that would be fantastic. See below for some examples: In order to provide the best education for the children of Whitfield St James, any information to help guide me on our journey would be greatly appreciated. Please feel free to contact me with any likes, dislikes or additional information that may benefit your child on azalea@st-james.derbyshire.sch.uk.

You will get more updates from me regarding PE days and other information in September. I will make it my mission to keep you all regularly updated throughout the year. I cannot wait to meet you all in person and I am looking forward to yet another Service Servic wonderful school year. Yours sincerely, Mr Hannan