



Autumn Newsletter

Welcome to Year 4!

September 2024

Dear Parents,

We are delighted to have welcomed everyone back into school this September.

We hope the following information will prove useful in order to heighten your awareness of what is taught and when it happens during the autumn term. The key elements for each subject are on the second sheet, so you are aware of the main units of study and can support your child in their learning.

- Your child will need to come to school wearing **outdoor P.E Kit** every **WEDNESDAY**.
A waterproof coat is advisable.
- Class 10 have already started swimming on a Friday, this will swap to class 9 in February.
- Homework will be sent home on **Friday** in a yellow folder to be handed in on Thursday.

- **Reading** – we suggest 10 minutes per night and to include a variety of fiction and non-fiction. Please encourage your child to look at the features of different texts. This is a good opportunity for you to share and discuss your child's reading book with them. Each child has a reading record and we encourage them to record the books they read in there. Reading books and records need to come into school each day, and will be sent home each night.

- **Multiplication tables** – Your child will have a target table to learn. It is very important that with your support they work hard to learn these as they are expected to know all the tables to 12 by the end of Year 4. There is a national test that they will have to complete around June time. The children can use TT Rockstars and Purple Mash.

- **Spellings** – Every week your child will be sent a homework sheet about a spelling rule. There are examples of the spelling rules at the top of each sheet. Please work with your child to learn the spelling rule and the examples. On Friday in class, we will complete a dictation test to assess their learning.

- **Research** - At times we may ask children to research our topic areas to help them with their work in school.

We do not wish homework to consume your child's free time. Therefore we don't intend for your child to work for more than 20 minutes on any one night. Homework activities are most successful when a positive partnership exists between home and school and when children are not left to their own devices, but rather the task is shared and modelled. We thank you for your support in this area.

The easiest way to contact us is by email.

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We look forward to a hardworking and enjoyable term.

If you have any queries, then please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely,

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