

Welcome to Year 4!

Miss Copps, Miss Cunningham and Miss Godman would like to welcome you to Year 4. Working alongside us to support the children are our LSAs: Mrs Sebastiano, Mrs Moss, Mrs Garrett and Mrs Irwin.

We hope you had a lovely Summer Holiday and are ready for the new school Year! There are lots of exciting things happening throughout the year including swimming, school trips and of course exciting new topics.

Now the children are in Year 4, we encourage them to become more independent and take ownership of their learning. The children are encouraged to try their best, work as part of a team and are given every opportunity to reach their full potential.

To find out more about our curriculum, please look at our curriculum overviews, creative curriculum unit of work document and timetable which are published on our school website.

Notices

Children should remember to bring their reading book, school planners, pencil case and water bottle to school every day.

Year 4 have PE on **Mondays** and **Fridays**. Please can PE kits be sent in on Mondays ready for the week! If your child wears earrings, please ensure they can remove them easily and have somewhere to store them. Alternatively, please ensure they are removed before the start of the school day. or have

Swimming begins on Tuesday 17th September 2019.

Homework

Homework should take no longer than 30 minutes per piece. This will usually be a refresher of what has been learnt in class in either Maths, Science or Creative Curriculum.

Homework will be sent home on Wednesdays and should be completed for the following Monday. We ask that it is completed to a similar standard of that in school.

Year 4 are expected to read 5 x 15 minutes per week. Please record and sign this in their planners as they are rewarded as part of our Year group Reading Challenge!

Children are also expected to practice their Times Tables 5 x 15 minutes per week.

Please can we ask that parents check and sign planners at the end of the school week.

Swimming

Please make sure the children bring their Swimming kit in on Tuesdays. Your child's kit should contain:

- Fitted trunks (boys)
- All in one swimming costume (girls)
- Swimming Hat
- Goggles (optional)
- Towel

Please ensure your child's school uniform and swimming kit is labelled clearly with their full name.

Times Tables

As you may be aware, all children in UK schools are now expected to sit a Times Tables Assessment at the end of Year 4. Therefore, it is vital that they know their Times Tables up to 12 x 12 so please continue to practice with your child as often as you can and encourage them to log onto Times Tables Rockstars!

Reading Challenge

To encourage children to read at home, Year 4 are running a Reading Challenge. You child can gain points for each time they read per week, which can be collected and exchanged for rewards. For their reads to count, they must be signed by an adult.

Equipment

PE kit—brought in on a Monday and taken home on a Friday (please ensure siblings have their own kit so it is not shared).

Pencil cases (to fit in trays) - a list of equipment has been provided. Please can we ask that this is standard equipment and nothing too distracting.

Water bottles—need to be named and brought in daily, this is in addition to a packed lunch drink.

Thank you as always for your continued support. We are very excited for the year ahead and are looking forward to celebrating all of your child's achievements this year!