

Year 4 Spring Term 2019

WELCOME BACK TO YEAR 4

Happy New Year to you all from everyone in Year 4

4CG and 4TL

Mrs Clarke, Mrs Garner, Mrs Halford and Mr Lacey

who will be supported by

Mrs Forward-Cook and Mrs Waldron

Maths

In Maths this term, we are following the Maths Mastery approach. We will be spending longer periods of time on each concept so as to fully consolidate each area of learning.

- Multiplication and Division
- Fractions
- Properties of 2D and 3D shapes
- Angles and protractors

Homework

Our homework will be set weekly. This will consist of a Times Table activity and learning Spellings appropriate for year group.

We are including lists of words the children should know from spellings learnt in previous years, it would be helpful to check that your child can read and write these in preparation for the next stage. We will be working on these at school over the next couple of weeks.

All spellings are displayed on the school website if you would like to see them.

Our topic for this term is

The Rainforest

Reading

Children will read individually and in our group guided reading sessions. Although we will hear your child read regularly, it is also important that you read with them as often as possible. Even if this is just five minutes a day, it will make all the difference to their development. An important part of the reading process is to ask questions as you go to check your child's *comprehension* of the text they are reading. We would particularly encourage you to try to increase the *breadth of your child's reading diet* during the course of Year 4 (i.e. try to expose them to a range of different authors and genres), your local library/librarian can be an excellent source of inspiration for this quest! Any reading they do is a positive step in their reading journey.

Writing

All children will be using pens in Year 4. We will be doing our handwriting practice which will take place daily in school. Our topics will form the basis for our writing which will range from stories and poems to news reports. Please do try to encourage your child to practice their writing at any opportunity and share with us any writing done at home (House points available!).

Trips:

This term we are very excited to have a visitor bringing lots of Rainforest animals on 29th January.

We are having a "Great Big Sleepover" on 29th March 2019 in the school hall. This will be a sponsored event that the children (and Teachers) will take part in to raise money for charity. The children have not chosen the charity yet so further details will follow.

P.E

Outdoor P.E: Tuesday **Indoor PE :** Friday

These dates are however flexible so please ensure that the children have their P.E kit in school every day. If the hall is in use or weather bad, we may do PE at other times during the week.

Swimming:

Year 4 will be swimming this term. 4CG start their sessions on Friday 1st February. Please make sure you have returned your permission slips in plenty of time. Sessions take place every week so please note in your diary. We will not ring home if children forget their kit, but we do keep some items in stock for children to borrow if necessary.

4TL will start their swimming sessions on 29th March.

Science - Living things and their habitats and then

States of Matter

History – Early British History and buildings

Geography – Geographical skills and the Human and Physical Geography.

Music –

Art and D.T. – Use of colour and materials.

R.E. –

ICT – Touch Typing, Spreadsheets

Many thanks for your support from the

Year 4 Team

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