

Year 4 Autumn Term

WELCOME TO YEAR 4!

We are delighted to welcome you and your child to Year 4.

4CG and 4TL

Mrs Clarke, Mrs Garner, Mrs Halford and Mr Lacey

who will 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.

- **Number and place value**
- **Addition and subtraction**
- **Multiplication and division**

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.

Details of homework expectations (layout etc) will follow when the homework has been set and discussed with your child in class.

Our topic for this term is

The Romans

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 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:

On the 4th October we will be visiting Verulamium – A Roman Museum, a letter will follow shortly with more details. On the 20th November we have an exciting Roman day planned.

Future trips will be confirmed once we have confirmation of our bookings.

If your child is going home with someone other than the known adult, please complete the form sent home by Mrs Best.

The children should have a bottle of water in school every day and may bring a fruit/vegetable snack for morning break, which you need to provide. Please ensure their water bottles or fruit containers are **clearly named so we can return them to you.**

P.E

Outdoor P.E: Tuesday

Indoor PE : Friday

Please ensure that the children have their P.E kit in school every day as we may use it at other times.

Swimming:

Year 4 will be swimming this year but not until later in the Spring/Summer Term.

Science – Living Things and States of matter

History – The Roman Empire

Geography – Comparing European countries

Music – European Composers, Folk Songs

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

R.E. – Prayer

ICT – E Safety, Research skills, advanced Word Processing

P.S.H.E – Emotional wellbeing, anti - bullying

Many thanks for your support from the

Year 4 Team

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