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Summer Term 2024 – Year 4 Newsletter

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back after the Easter holidays break. It is so wonderful to see the children back in school. The children have had a good start to the Summer term, and we are so proud of them for settling well after two weeks' holidays, continuing to learn with enthusiasm, and using our motto - **Be Ready, Be Respectful, Be Safe** whilst demonstrating our three core values of kindness, responsibility and courage. Across the year, we have planned many exciting experiences, including a school trip with cross-curricular links and opportunities, which we look forward to sharing with the children and yourselves. Below gives you an overview of the different subjects across the curriculum.

English

We will be looking at non-fiction, narratives and playscripts. We will also be learning spelling and grammar rules. Children should be bringing home books to read, so please continue encouraging children to read at home. You will be able to add comments into their Reading Record booklets to share your reading experiences with us. We encourage children to read daily in school and at home as it truly enriches their vocabulary, imagination and knowledge.

Maths

This term, the focus in maths is money, time, shapes, statistics, and position and direction, while we develop our reasoning and problem-solving skills.

Please support your children in learning all their timetables regularly on MathsShed and Rockstars Times Tables. This will build up their confidence and skills before completing the Multiplication Times Tables Check in Summer 2 term, completed between the 3rd and 14th of June 2024.

Science

In summer 1, children will study electricity. In summer 2, they will learn about animals, including humans.

Geography/History/RE

Our topic for this term in geography is a local study about London. In history, children will learn about Vikings. In RE, children will learn about 'What can we learn from religions about deciding right and wrong?'

Computing

In summer 1, our topic is 'Website' and online safety. In summer 2, we will work on showcasing the skills we have learned.

Modern Foreign Languages - Spanish

Continuing our Spanish with Mrs Steadman, we will focus on time and animals.

Physical Education (PE)

We will be working on striking and fielding and then athletics. Children have two PE lessons each week, and these will be:

- in 4 Spain on Tuesdays and Thursdays
- in 4 Italy on Mondays and Wednesdays
- in 4 Denmark on Mondays and Thursdays

Children should wear the correct PE uniform to school on their PE days- navy blue joggers, a white t-shirt and black trainers or plimsolls.



PSHE

We will be looking at economic well-being and transition.

Music

During the spring term, children will learn about Blues music, Develop singing techniques, and keep in time.

Art & DT

In Art, children will develop their painting skills. In D&T, they will explore electrical systems, making a night light.

Homework

Homework will be given out every Friday, and children should return the completed homework by the following Wednesday. In addition, weekly homework will also include spellings on Spelling Shed, 4 operations practise on Maths Shed, and multiplications practise on Rockstars Timestables. Children will also begin taking reading books home alongside their reading record booklet, encouraging them to read for pleasure and sharing their experiences.

Important Information

Soft start begins at **8:40 a.m.** and **finishes at 3.10 p.m.** All the children should be in the classroom for the **8.50 a.m. lesson start**. Please arrive promptly so your child does not miss any school days.

Supporting your child with their times tables, the related division facts, number bonds and 4 operations will continue to assist them in making progress in their maths lessons.

Children should read at home for at least 15-20 minutes daily. Please encourage them to do this regularly.

Please encourage your child to go to bed at a reasonable time in order for them to function properly the next day. Lack of sleep has a detrimental effect on learning.

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Finally, a polite reminder that children need to be in full school uniform at all times. Please ensure all belongings are clearly labelled with your child's name and class.

Sustainable Travel to School - Scooter Pods and Bike Shelters

Whenever possible, we encourage children to walk to school. However, if they also use other sustainable means of travel, such as a scooter or a bike, we have scooter pods and bike shelters available for the children to lock them away safely.

Thank you for your continued support in helping our children to achieve their full potential.

Ms. Ayton
4 Spain

Mrs Nwankwo
4 Italy

Miss Appadoo
4 Denmark