

Monday 12th September 2022

Dear parents and carers,

Welcome to Year 4. We hope you had a lovely summer and managed to enjoy the sunshine! The children have returned to school and settled into Year 4 brilliantly. We are really impressed with how well they have embraced the higher expectations and new challenges that moving up the school brings.

This term, we are going to be focusing on place value and the four operations (+ - x ÷) in Maths and in English we are going to be writing non-chronological reports and stories. We are going to be studying Ancient Egypt in History and we are super excited to be having a go at mummification later in the term. We will then move on to Science which is based on living things and their habitats. We also have exciting learning opportunities planned for the children in French, Music, Art/DT, PE and Computing.

In Year 4, the children will do PE on **Mondays and Tuesdays.** We will do a mix of indoor and outdoor, so it is important that they have kit for all weathers. School PE kit is a plain white t-shirt, dark coloured shorts and plimsolls/trainers. Dark coloured jogging bottoms for the winter. Children should make sure that they have their PE kit in school every day in case there is an extra opportunity for PE/outdoor learning.

Homework will be set on a Friday and due in on a Wednesday. Reading Records will also be handed in to be checked on **Tuesdays in Badger** and **Thursdays in Hedgehog**. Listening to your child read at home is a fantastic way to support them in their development and we would like their records to be signed at least four times a week please. Children will be rewarded with merits and gems for achieving this. We have attached a suggested reading list that we hope you will find useful.

Spellings will be sent home on a Friday, to be tested the following Friday. The children will also have plenty of time to practise at school throughout the week. At the end of Year 4, the children will sit a Multiplication Check which is a national test. The expectation is that they know all their times tables up to 12x12. We will be doing lots of multiplication work at school, but any extra practise at home will make a huge difference. Some useful online games can be found at https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/7-11-years/times-tables.

Information in relation to our Year 4 residential trip to Minstead will follow in due course.





We are really looking forward to working alongside you and your children this year. If you have any queries or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact your child's class teacher either at the classroom door or via email.

Kind Regards, Miss Nunn, Mrs Hoskins and Mrs Ritchie

