

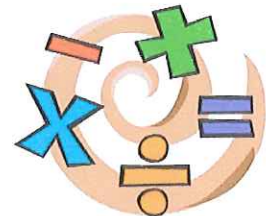


Dear Parent/Carer

I hope your child has enjoyed the Easter holiday and is ready to tackle the summer term. Please continue to help him/her to remember the following key items:

Items to bring to school:

Monday:	Dinner money and PE kit (athletics)
Thursday:	Swimming kit and homework
Friday:	Homework Diaries and Spelling Book



In Maths, we will be continuing to work with decimal fractions, before looking at measurement and then consolidating our written methods for addition and subtraction. Our first Literacy focus will be a story from another culture, followed a study of persuasive techniques in advertising.



In Science, we will be finishing our study of electricity before moving onto sound and then habitats, which will link with our school trip in June

Geography will entail a European study and In DT we will be designing and constructing kites, with a view to having a class competition at the end of the term. In addition, the children will be having swimming lessons during the first half term.

Reading: All children should continue to take home their reading book every night. Please continue to sign the Reading Record Book, indicate the pages read, and help your child to remember to bring his/her reading book every day. *The emphasis should be on reading for enjoyment.* Children may also borrow school library books.



Spelling: Please help your child to practise for the weekly spelling tests and to practise words which he/she has struggled with in class.

Homework: As before, Maths and Literacy homework will normally be set each Friday, for return by the following Thursday. Additional, adhoc pieces of homework may also be set.

PLEASE REMEMBER:

Your child will be recording details of his/her homework in a Homework Diary. In addition, details are recorded on our class chalkboard, so your child will *always* know where to look if a diary should become lost. If a child is struggling with homework, he or she can ask for help at any time before the due date. Please note that homework is not intended as a guide for tutors.

Times tables: Tables will be tested daily, as part of our "Mad Minute" challenge. Please encourage your child to practise regularly. Please note that application of times tables knowledge is integral to all our Maths work. It is vital that your child secures this learning through regular practise and support at home.

PE: The children will be participating in indoor athletics, striking and fielding games this term. They will need to have their PE kit (including pumps) in school on Mondays.

General: Please ensure that your child has a water bottle in school (no juice).

Please help us to help your child: it is really important for children in Year 4 to develop both independence and organisational skills. With this in mind, *please try to encourage your child to remember his/her own belongings, equipment and homework.*

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact me.

With many thanks

Mrs Cooper
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