

Year 4 Class Information AUTUMN 2017

Dear Parent/Carer

The new Y4 class has made a fantastic start to the new term. Please help your child to remember the following key items each week:

Items to bring to school:

Monday: Dinner money

Tuesday: PE Kit for Elite Gym Squad (if applicable)

Wednesday: PE kit for gymnastics

Thursday: Homework

Friday: Homework Diary and Spelling Book

<u>Reading</u>: 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.

<u>Spelling</u>: New spellings will be sent home on Fridays and will be tested the following Wednesday. The children should continue to use the "Look, Cover, Write" system. Please help your child to practise for the weekly spelling tests and to practise words which he/she has struggled with in class.

<u>Homework</u>: 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. 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 the beginning of the school week. Please note that homework is not intended as a guide for tutors.

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

<u>PE</u>: Once again, we are extremely fortunate to be undertaking gymnastics training with a professional coach. Children will need to have their PE kit (including pumps) in school on Wednesdays.

<u>Topic Work:</u> this term we will be studying the Tudors, which will incorporate an array of subjects. In Science, we will be looking at living things and the states of matter.

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 gueries, please do not hesitate to contact me.

With many thanks

Mrs Cooper September 2017

