## Year 4 Class Information Summer 2019



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, homework (in Homework Book) and Spelling Diaries **Thursday**: Swimming kit and PE Kit (athletics)

In Maths, we will continue to concentrate on working with decimals. Our Literacy focus will be historical fiction, and the children will be writing their own part of a story from a character's point of view, before creating newspaper articles from the Victorian era.

In Science, we will be investigating the states of matter, before looking at habitats.

This term's Topic is entitled "Water, Water, Everywhere," and encompasses a study of the Nile River and its importance for historical Egyptian societies. In Art we will be looking at work inspired by water.

**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.

<u>Homework</u>: As before, a small amount of Maths and Literacy homework will normally be set each Monday, **for return by the following Monday**. Additional, adhoc pieces of homework may also be set.

## **PLEASE NOTE:**

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.

<u>Times tables</u>: Tables will be tested regularly, as part of our "Mad Minute" challenge. Please encourage your child to practise as often as possible. Your child should now be fluent with all of their times tables. <u>Please note that application of times tables knowledge is integral to all our Maths work.</u> It is vital that your child secures this learning through regular practice and support at home.



<u>PE</u>: in additional to swimming lessons in the first six weeks of term, the children will be participating in athletics and invasion games. Children will need to have their PE kit (including pumps) in school on Thursdays.

<u>General</u>: <u>Please ensure that your child has a water bottle in school</u> (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 April 2019

