

Year 4 Class Information
September 2020

We're Going Back To School



Dear Parent/Carer

I hope your child has enjoyed the long summer “break”, despite the current circumstances, and is ready to tackle the first term in Y4 after what has been, for most children, nearly six months off school. We will endeavour to help all the children settle in as quickly and easily as possible.

Reading: *Your child will not be bringing their reading book home until further notice.* He/she will read to an appropriate professional in school, on a regular basis, as part of a specific program. However, please continue to read other books to (and with) your child (as well as allowing them to read to you), with an emphasis on *reading for enjoyment*.

Mathematics:

Please be aware that your child will be following a “Regain” curriculum, designed to plug gaps in the children’s learning (resulting from the pandemic).



Homework: **A small amount of Maths, Literacy and Spelling homework will normally be set each week, either for completion each day (quick multiplication/spelling tasks), or by the end of the week (Friday). ***

Please note that all such homework, until further notice, will be set and completed on Purple Mash (ie, online), and **no homework books will be issued.** Your child should access Purple Mash in the same way as practised throughout the summer term.

Spelling: Please help your child to practise for the weekly spelling tests (normally on Mondays). If a child is struggling with homework, please encourage them to ask for help.

Times tables: Your child’s knowledge of all the required times tables will be **assessed daily.** Please encourage your child to practise as often as possible. Your child should now be fluent with most of their times tables. 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 practice and support at home.

PE Clothes: Please note that the children will be participating in PE activities on Wednesdays. Please refer to our separate text for details of the specific clothing to be worn to school on those days.

General: **Please ensure that your child has a water bottle in school** (no juice). *This should be filled at home,* as we are unable to do so in class at the current time.

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: a jumper and coat, a (filled) water bottle, earphones and a lunch box (where applicable).*

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

With many thanks

Mrs Cooper

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