Welcome to Year 4 2020-2021



Dear Parents,



As we are unable to have a 'Welcome to Year 4' session, I hope that you find these slides useful. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have queries.

This autumn term has started really well and it has been wonderful getting to know all of your children. They have proved themselves to be very adaptable in coming back to school and I'm excited about teaching them this year.

Mrs Rafique



Staffing in Year 4

- Mrs Rafique
- Mrs Jenkins: Tuesday mornings and Thursday afternoons (PPA cover)
- TA: Mrs Siddique



Timetable Autumn 2020

Year 4 Weekly Timetable- Autumn 1					
Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8.55 – 9.05	Registration / Fluency Focus				
9.10 – 10.10	Maths	Maths	Maths	Maths	<u>Maths</u>
10.10 – 10.30	PSHE	PSHE	PSHE	Music	Music
10.30 – 10.50	BREAK				
11.00 – 12.15	Literacy	Literacy	Literacy	Literacy	Literacy
12.25 – 1.25	LUNCH				
1.30 – 2.10	Recovery Lesson Literacy Handwriting	Recovery Lesson Literacy (Handwriting/ Spellings)	Recovery Lesson Maths (Optional PE available Outdoors)	Recovery Lesson <u>Maths</u>	Recovery Lesson Literacy Spelling
2.10 – 3.05	PE-Indoors	RE- Festivals and Celebrations	Science- States of Matter	French- Core Vocabulary and Phonetic Unit	History- Ancient Egyptians
3.05 – 3.20	Story Time/ Home Time				

Expectations



- We celebrate children's best efforts and encourage children to try their best so that they produce work to be proud of
- We promote kindness and tolerance towards each other
- Golden assemblies will take place in class every Friday
- We continue to follow the school behaviour policy and the level system and will always contact you if we have any concerns regarding behaviour
- We are focusing on producing work with beautiful presentation and I am hoping the children can work towards their 'Pen Licence' this year, if they haven't already

Day to Day



- Children will be collected from the gate promptly at 8.55am unless they are coming in earlier with siblings Please remind your child to line up on the yellow lines
- Every day, children will need to make sure they have the following items with them:
- Reading Book and Reading Record
- Spelling Book (with their latest spellings glued safely in)
- Coat for inclement weather
- Water Bottle
- Packed Lunch (if appropriate)

The school is providing all necessary stationery so the children should not bring their own pencil cases into school.



Curriculum

We are working towards Year 4 learning objectives, addressing any gaps through daily 'catch up' sessions as part of our Recovery Curriculum with a focus on Literacy and Maths. The first few weeks are being spent getting to know your children and the curriculum is being tailored as appropriate.

We will be continuing to teach a range of subjects in the afternoons and are having 'brain breaks' to keep active and engaged!

<u>PE</u>



- Our PE day is Monday.
- Children will be required to wear full PE kit and trainers for outdoor lessons and may arrive in school 'PE ready' each Monday.
- Dark tracksuit bottoms are advisable as the weather turns colder.
- Long hair must be tied back and earrings covered up.

Homework



Homework Packs

- Homework packs are issued half-termly in paper format.
- An electronic version is also available in the Year 4
 Class area of the website.
- The homework should be completed and handed in on the relevant Friday. It will be marked and returned on the following Monday.

Spellings

- Children will be given new spellings every Friday. They will be tested on their spellings the following Friday and new words will then be issued.
- Please remind children that they can receive house points for excellent homework! We will celebrate this in class.



Times tables

Children should be practising their times tables every week.

Reading

Year 4 pupils are targeted with reading for at least 20-25 minutes every day. Your child will also enjoy being read to at home, so please do carry this on and discuss any unknown vocabulary, talk about authors' word choices and deeper meanings.

Please encourage your child to come and see me if they are finding any of the above difficult so that I can support them.

Communication



- Due to the current situation, please contact the school office with any messages or to arrange an appointment. The office will be able to take a message and pass on urgent concerns.
- Please let me know about any appointments / changes at home.
- The weekly newsletter will list any letters which should have gone out.
- Please make sure you keep us updated with your child's after school arrangements.
- I am really looking forward to meeting you all in person, but in the meantime, thank you all for your support.