

### Welcome Back

We hope you have all enjoyed a restful summer holiday and we are very pleased to welcome the children into Year 4. They have made a brilliant start to the year and have settled into new routines very quickly.

### Reading and Spellings

This year, all children will bring home a reading book and reading record. Children will have the opportunity to change their book on a Tuesday, so please can we ask that they bring their **reading book and record in to school on a Monday**. The children will continue to use Reading Plus and Lexia to support reading.

**Every Friday morning all children will be tested on their weekly spellings.** A copy of this term's spellings will be available on the class section of the website.

### Maths

In maths, we will be reinforcing knowledge of place value, addition and subtraction, before moving on to studying length, perimeter, shapes and time.

Children will continue to use TTRS to support times tables learning and there will be ongoing sessions to practice times tables.

The children will be sitting a statutory times table test at the end of Year 4 so they are encouraged to practice at home as much as possible.

### Important Information and dates

Year 4 will have PE on a **Wednesday and on alternate Fridays (when they are not swimming.)** They should come into school in their full PE kit. (Please make sure this is appropriate for outside sessions.)

Swimming lessons will take place on Friday afternoons, starting Friday 15th September 2023. The two classes will alternate as they did last year. **Mrs Jordan's class will be going on the 15<sup>th</sup> and then Mr Sanderson's class will be swimming on the 22<sup>nd</sup> ect.**

Children will need to come to school with their swimming kits (including a swimming cap).

### English

In English we will be constantly looking at improving spellings, punctuation and grammar.

In writing we will begin with narrative writing - we will be writing stories involving other cultures as this links with our creative curriculum.

### R.E

Our new topic in R.E is called 'PEOPLE.'

We will be learning about family trees and about how Jesus had a human family like ours that is historical.

### Reminders

Please remember to ensure that the children wear the correct school uniform and PE kit. Jewellery is not allowed. **Hair must be tied up.** Uniform policies can be found on the school website.

School will provide pens, pencils, rulers etc. so please do not bring personal pencil cases into school. The children have also been provided with a new school water bottle which will remain in school to be refilled. **Please do not send in personal water bottles.**

### Geography

In geography in our first topic we will be learning about the journey of a river.

We will be looking at map reading skills along with the water cycle and case studies of our local area.

We cannot wait for the year ahead.

Many thanks,  
Mrs Jordan and Mr Sanderson

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