

Year 4 Newsletter

Summer Term 2



Dear Parents / Carers:

Welcome back to the last half term of the academic year. This really is a crucial time in Year 4 as we, the children and adults, strive to ensure all children make excellent progress and are ready for Year 5.

During this half term it is essential that the children stay focused as there is still progress to be made.

As we look back on the year and see how much progress the children have made both academically and socially we are all immensely proud; however, there are still two months of learning and developing to go.

As the weather gets warmer please ensure your child has a water bottle with them and, on hotter days, a hat for when they are in the playground.

If you wish to discuss anything with your child's teacher, please speak to them after school.

Home Learning and Reading Records:

Our focus continues on the key skills of reading and arithmetic. We hope the structure is continuing to be supportive and clear but if you need any further clarification please do not hesitate to ask your child's class teacher. We have also added in weekly spelling home learning to further support their writing development.

Reading records will be checked daily and your child will be expected to read for at least 20 minutes per day and to write a short summary of what they have read. Please sign their reading record regularly.

Your child will also have access from home to online maths learning on the MyMaths website: www.mymaths.co.uk and can read books on Bug Club using the following website: www.activelearnprimary.co.uk

Please feel free to ask the Year 4 team if you have any concerns or would like some support in helping your child.

The Year 4 Team

Bangladesh:
Miss Pither

China:
Miss Qureshi

Tibet:
Miss Khan

India:
Miss Czarnecka

HLTA
Fazilah Baiyat

TA
Husnara Akther

Year Group Leader:
Miss Claire Pither

If you have any questions or concerns, please approach your child's class teacher.

This term's educational visit

Ambition, Aspire, Achieve in Canning Town

This term the students will be visiting the Ambition, Aspire, Achieve in Canning Town. The centre aims to build confidence and expand minds for visitors. The children will be having a chance to play on adventure playground structures as well as soft play/multisensory rooms. There is also access to a whole range of sporting equipment for us all to participate in games including football, netball, volleyball, uni-hoc and table tennis. This will provide the children with opportunities to play games they may not normally have access to, encouraging a healthy life style.

Please see the letter which will be sent home later this half term for the dates and times for your child's class.



PE Days

Bangladesh: PE on Wednesday and Thursday

India: PE on Thursday and Friday

China: PE on Thursday and swimming on Friday

Tibet: PE on Thursday and swimming on Friday

Please ensure that your child has their PE kit, including a change of shoes. Your child may require a bottle of water and some sunscreen this term.

Your child should bring their PE kit to school on Monday and take it home to wash on Friday. **Remember, if your child is taking part in swimming lessons, they will require a suitable swimsuit, towel and swimming hat (compulsory).**

Curriculum

This term's topics:

Literacy: Narrative writing based on time travel. We will be participating in the Andrew Lane writing competition focusing on the text by Philippa Pearce 'Tom's Midnight Garden'.

Mathematics: Mass, volume and length.

Wider Curriculum: Who has ruled since the Vikings left? We will be focusing on the Battle of Hastings and how William the Conqueror became the first king of England. We will then continue looking at monarchs who have reigned from William the Conqueror to Queen Elizabeth II.

Science: Where does all that food go? We will be focussing on the questions below when learning about food and the digestive system.

What do we know about food? Where does the food go inside your body? What sort of teeth do we have? How can we look after our teeth? What do animals eat? What do animals' teeth tell us? How is food broken down? How can we model the digestive system?

RE: What happens when someone gets married?

Computing: WeDo Lego

PSHE: Rules of brushing your teeth

Design and Technology: We will be making a clay Tudor rose as well as designing and making Tudor crowns