



April 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to the Summer Term at school! We hope you had an enjoyable Easter and that this term will prove to be an enjoyable one for our Year Fours. Please find attached an overview of the topics we will be covering in Year Four this first half term, as well as a copy of your child's timetable.

Mrs Nicholls and Mrs Murrell will continue to support Year Four classes this term.

Mr Arrowsmith and Mrs Twiggs will provide PPA cover for teaching. This will take place on a Friday.

We would like to take this opportunity to remind you of a few of the expectations that we have in Year Four.

- ❖ Reading: The children will need to record their reading in their home school diary and ideally they need to read at least four times per week. We will be checking reading every day, to ensure that children are reading regularly at home. Your support with this would be very much appreciated.
- ❖ Full school uniform is to be worn every day. Please ensure suitable length skirts for girls, ideally to the knee. All children with long hair must tie it back and children's hair should be a natural colour. Please note that the wearing of nail varnish is not permitted in school. Whilst we may be moving into the warmer months, please can you ensure that your child has a lightweight coat as we will continue to go outside at break and lunch times even at times when it is raining. As Health and Safety is so prominent, we ask that all jewellery is kept at home except for stud earrings which must be removed or covered with tape during PE lessons.
- ❖ PE lessons are on **Wednesday** and **Friday**. The children must come to school in their PE kit on these days.

A reminder of the PE kit expectations:

- Plain white t-shirt
- Plain dark shorts or navy/black tracksuit/joggers for colder months
- A school jumper or a plain navy/black sweatshirt
- Trainers or plimsolls
- Socks

- ❖ As you are aware, the children will be taking part in an online multiplication test during the month of June. Whilst multiplication facts (times tables) will be practiced during the school week, we are also encouraging the children to continue to practice their facts through the use of the times tables Rockstars website at home ([www.ttrockstars.co.uk](http://www.ttrockstars.co.uk)). The children's login details have been written in their home school diaries.
- ❖ Homework will be starting again as of week beginning 17<sup>th</sup> April. This will be handed out on a Thursday and collected in the following Tuesday. In Year 4 children are given spellings and multiplication tables to learn every week. They will also be given an English homework book and

will be asked to complete activities, linked to their learning in class. Maths homework this year will be set through the website [www.mymaths.com](http://www.mymaths.com). The main Maths and English homework activity will be set on alternate weeks starting with English on the first week.

- ❖ If your child is scootering or cycling to school, please ensure that they are wearing a helmet. Only children with the Bikeability Award can cycle to school without adult supervision.
- ❖ We can only administer medication to your child with parental consent. Prescribed medicines must have an accompanying white medicine slip, which can be collected from the school office.

Internet/Computer safety is important to all of us. If you wish to find out more about this, these websites may be useful: <http://www.thinkuknow.co.uk> or <http://ceop.police.uk/>

Please do not hesitate to contact us if there are any questions or issues that you would like to discuss, by phoning the school office or sending a note in with your child to hand to their class teacher and a member of the Year Four team will get back to you as soon as we can. If your child is to go home with another adult at any time please will you make us aware by writing it in their home school diary so that we can release them promptly.

Many thanks for your continued support.

Mrs Amey, Mrs Wilson and the Year Four Team.