



Year 4

Autumn Term

Newsletter

Welcome to Year 4

We have had a fantastic start to Year 4 and have been impressed with all of our pupils. We know we are going to have a great year! If you have any concerns about your child in school, please do not hesitate to contact via Dojo messaging service or speak to us after school (when we have dismissed our classes). We will also keep the Year 4 Dojo page up to date, so any important news, dates or information will be on there.

Thank you for your continuing support.

Year 4 Team Mrs Flynn (JF), Miss Hammonds (4CH) and Miss Jacobson (4JJ)



This Term's Topic

This term we will be learning all about the USA. We will cover geographical skills including looking closely at maps and using an atlas. Looking back in time to significant people and events in history including Martin Luther King and the human rights movement that impacts our lives now.

Groupings

Children will be taught in three mixed ability groups for Reading and Writing and within Maths we will be using flexible groupings so that children can be grouped to target their specific needs.

PE

P.E lessons will take place on Wednesday and ALL children should come to school in their PE kit. Please ensure your child's kit is in line with the school uniform policy, and is clearly named. The classes will rotate and the sessions will split between indoor and outdoor sessions. Please tie long hair back and no earrings are to be worn for Health and Safety reasons.



Homework

Homework will be given out on Friday and will be due the following Wednesday. Homework will be of a similar format to last year, a short activity recapping what the children have learned in Maths, English and Science with a variety of other subject activities too.

Spellings are taught during the week and a spell check (test) is on Monday. Please go through the spellings with your child.

Dojos

Please ensure you have signed up to the Year 4 Group Dojo to receive updates and reminders. **All of our important information goes on there.**

English

Our work this half term will be based on the book 'Queen of the Falls' by Chris Van Allsburg. A fascinating true story. We will also continue to develop our reading skills through Book Club sessions and develop our knowledge and vocabulary around book discussions. Our first text is The Matchbox Diary by Paul Fleischman. Another true story!

Maths

The children will be taking a mandatory Year 4 Multiplication Check during the Summer Term. They will be working very hard to learn their times tables this year in their classes. It would be greatly beneficial if you could ensure that your child is practising their tables on a regular basis. There are lots of fantastic websites available to support your child with this, as well as some really good activities on Purple Mash. Your child has logins in their reading diary. Please follow this order (x2.x5,x10) followed by x3 x6 then x4 x8. Once secure in these the children should go onto x7 and x9. We are grateful for all your support.



Reading

We encourage all children to read for at least 10+ minutes a day and record this in their reading diary. Staff will check your child's diary and issue a raffle ticket if they read three times at home during the week.

Uniform

Please write your child's name in their jumpers and cardigans to reduce the number of lost property items. Coats should be clearly labelled, school bags and water bottles.

Looking Ahead

We will be in touch over this term with further details about our trip in the Spring Term to Laches Wood which is an outdoor activity centre.

