

Welcome to Year 4!

Welcome to Year 4! I hope you had a relaxing, enjoyable summer and are now looking forward to Year 4 as much as I am. Please read the information below to see what there is to look forward to this year.

This year you will be finding out all about our local area in our **topic** lessons, as well as discovering who the Romans were; the UK and comparing Park Street to a contrasting area; the Anglo Saxons and the spread of Christianity; and the Rainforest. In **Science** we will be looking at Animals and Humans, Rocks and Soils, Attaching and Stretching, Plants and the Sun and Shadows. Alongside our topic and science, I have chosen a class novel that we will study during the first half of the autumn term: *The Firework Maker's Daughter* by Phillip Pullman.

The children will be receiving their own pen this year and will be expected to write with it from the beginning of the autumn term. They do not need pencil cases or any of their own stationary as this will be provided by the school.

Other staff working with Year 4:

Mrs Payne is our fantastic TA who will be working with us every morning and on a Tuesday and Friday afternoon. On a Tuesday afternoon, the Children will have Music (taught by Mrs Killin) and French (taught by Mrs Neill).

Homework

Homework will be handed out on a Wednesday and expected back on a Monday. This will include maths and either an English or Topic themed task. Please encourage your child to read every night and sign their diary when they have done so. I also expect children to be practicing their timetables at home in preparation for their multiplication check at the end of the year.

Spellings

The children will receive their spellings on a Monday which they will be tested on straight away. They will then take the spellings home to practice every night in preparation for their test on a Friday. Children are also expected to write a sentence to accompany each of their spellings. These should be written in the spelling homework book.

PE

PE will be on a Monday and Wednesday. Please ensure your child has their PE kit in school at all times. For this half of the Autumn term we will be having a Twigs session in the forest on a Monday afternoon which the children will need to bring old clothes for. It is advised to have wellies if the weather is going to be wet.

I am really looking forward to getting to know you all this year. Please feel free to come and have a chat with me after school if you have any worries or concerns.

Thank you for your continued support,
Miss McVeigh