

"Learning is a journey, to be taken together, one step at a time"



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Year 4 Autumn Newsletter

September 2022

Dates for your Diary

7th September – Autumn Term Begins

23rd September – Swimming Begins for Year 4/5/6

26th-30th September – Active Travel Week

3rd – 7th October – Walk to School Week

17th – 20th October – Book Fair Week

17th October – Meet the Teacher Evening

19th October – Rock Kidz Workshop

24th-28th October – Half Term

Welcome Back to Year 4

We hope you have all had a lovely summer holiday and are looking forward to a new school year.

It's Learning – We will be using It's Learning much more this year to share resources with the children, for use both in the classroom and at home to consolidate learning. All the children will be familiar with their class pages and how to access them using their log in details.

Reading – within class the children will be taking part in a Whole Class Reading approach. We will explore extracts from a range of texts, which will aim to aid a richer discussion and a more detailed written response from the children within lessons. The children will still bring home a reading book to continue practicing their reading and comprehension skills at home.

Spellings/Times Tables – weekly spellings and times tables practice will take place within class. However, it is essential that the children continue to consolidate these at home. As teachers we will be monitoring their achievements on Spelling Shed and TT Rockstars.

USA ROAD TRIP

For our first learning focus this year we will be exploring the 'USA' and going on a virtual road trip around some of the states and cities to find out more. We will also be looking at the following Sustainable Development Goals: 3 Good Health and Wellbeing and 4 Quality Education.

Year 4 Team

Mrs C Callister – LKS2 Phase Leader/Red Pandas Class Teacher

Miss E Harrison – Foxes Class Teacher

Mrs S Smith/Mrs G Campbell – Education Support Staff



Class Dojo

Thank you to all those who are signed up to receive updates on class dojo. We will use the stories section to keep you up-to-date with any notices. You can get in touch through the messages section but also through the school office OnchanEnquiries@sch.im or on the playground after school.

Healthy Snack and Water

Please remember that your child's snack must be of a healthy nature (eg: piece of fruit or a cereal bar). They should also have a re-useable, named water bottle in school every day. No juice please!

Hand Washing

Please continue to encourage your child to wash their hands regularly. We still have our hand washing stations in place in the playground.

PE Kits

Please ensure that your child has the appropriate, named PE kit in school every day. This should include both an indoor and outdoor kit, with appropriate footwear.

Swimming

Swimming will begin on **Friday 23rd September** for Year 4. Please ensure that your child has the correct kit every week (swimming hats for long hair, earring bands if earrings cannot be removed, one piece costume for girls and no baggy shorts). If for any reason your child is unable to swim on any particular week, please provide a signed note indicating the reason why. Children who are not swimming will remain at school.

Medication/Health Care Plans

Please can you ensure that you have updated your child's medication and health care plan for this school year, if you have not already done so.