

YEAR 4 CLASS NEWSLETTER - SUMMER TERM 2024

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NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back for the summer term, I hope you have all had a wonderful break over the Easter period and are looking forward to returning for the new term.

This term, our daily routine remains unchanged. The children will continue to arrive between 8.45am and 8.55am, where they will be welcomed into class before beginning their early morning task. We then have guided reading each day so please ensure that your child is bringing their reading record and reading book to school every day. The children can earn dojos for reading at home and they are encouraged to write in their superstar reader book themselves when they read independently. When children read three times in a week, they earn one dojo and five times or more in a week they earn two dojos. It is fantastic to see lots of children continuing to read regularly at home as this makes a huge difference to their progress in reading.

In English, we are starting the term with a fiction sequence based on the book '*Arthur and the Golden Rope*' by Joe Todd Stanton. This book follows the adventure of a young boy in the age of the Vikings who adventures to find the courage to save his village and defeat the mighty beast Fenrir. At the end of this sequence, the children will write an adventure story as one of the Brownstone adventures. We will then move onto a non-fiction sequence based around the book '*Arthur and the Golden Rope*' by Joe Todd-Stanton.

We are starting our next sequence of learning in maths this term which is our second sequence on decimals. There are many links made to our previous sequence of fractions in this so the children will have plenty of opportunities to continue working with fractions to support their understanding of a decimal as part of a whole. We will then move on to cover measurement of money and time as well as properties of shape. As we work towards the end of Year Four, it is important for the children to continue to practice their times tables to support them with the Around the World challenge and prepare them for the Multiplication Tables Check. Times tables are an essential part of the curriculum however, we aim for this challenge to be as fun as possible.

The children are lucky to continue to have two PE sessions this half term on Wednesday and Thursday afternoons. The children should come to school wearing their PE kit, consisting of a school jumper or hoodie, black shorts or joggers and black trainers. All children should also wear trainers each day as we frequently use the daily mile track especially as the weather hopefully continues to become warmer and drier.

The children should have a book bag rather than a rucksack to bring their reading books and other belongings to school in every day. Our cloakroom does not have space to accommodate bulky bags as well as coats and other belongings.

The wider curriculum will remain the same. This term, Year 4 will have Science, Geography, History, Art, D&T, ICT, PE, RE, PSHE, Music and Spanish. The details of the sequences can be found on the class page of our website on each subjects cover sheet. The subject overviews contain the learning objectives, key vocabulary, prior learning and where this sequence fits in the children's journey through the subject. These overviews will also feature at the start of the sequence in the children's books and files. They will be familiar with the information that they contain and would provide a useful prompt for conversations at home.

It has come to our attention that more and more children have access to the internet independently at home. There has been a particular increase in children watching YouTube. Without supervision, it is possible to view very inappropriate content on this site. Please refer to the eSafety pages on our website should you require support or guidance with this matter. There is a copy of our safe usage policy as well as a sheet for parents with lots of useful information on it.

If you have any questions about anything regarding your child, please do not hesitate to contact us. Please email admin@winkleigh.devon.sch.uk and we will try to get a reply within 48 hours.

I am looking forward to another great term with Year Four. I know that the children are all looking forward to our trip to Haven Banks and our residential to Wildwood Escot already! Thank you all very much for your continued support.

Kind regards,
Miss McLean



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