

# Autumn Term - Year 4

## Welcome back...

Welcome back Year 4, we hope that you have all had a fantastic summer. We are really looking forward to this year having heard such wonderful things from Miss Pick, below are a few reminders for the coming term:

### READING:

We teach reading as a whole class to develop the key skills of retrieval, prediction, questioning, clarifying, summarising, and inference. Children will have the opportunity to read aloud within class during the week. Please encourage your child to read at home daily.

As a minimum, we ask that you sign your child's reading diary at least three times a week. Reading diaries will be checked on a Monday and diaries are expected to be in school every day. House points are awarded for reading at home.

Children will be assessed during their first week in Year 4 and reading books will be given out accordingly. When children have completed their book, they will be able to complete a comprehension quiz based on the book they have been reading in school and then their book will be changed.

If your child enjoys reading books from home or visiting the library, you can check book levels for any book using the following link...

[Accelerated Reader Bookfinder UK & Ireland - Quick Search \(arbookfind.co.uk\)](http://arbookfind.co.uk)

We encourage children to read another text/book of their choice alongside their school reading book.

### SPELLINGS:

During the first half term we will revisit key words to check that the children have remembered these spellings. Spellings will focus on the year 4 spelling patterns and spellings from the national curriculum spelling list for years 3 and 4. There will be daily activities working towards achieving the Year 4 spelling goals.

Children will bring home spellings on a Monday which will need to be practised at home using 'Look, Say, Cover, Write, Check,' in preparation for their spelling test which will be on Friday.

Please sign your child's homework diaries so that we know that you have seen your child's spellings, these will be checked when new spellings are given out on Mondays. Spelling tests are completed in reading diaries on Fridays.

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### HOMEWORK:

A homework task will be uploaded on to Seesaw each Friday and explained in class to the children. Homework tasks will be a range of maths and English activities, along with topic work or projects. Homework will need to be completed by the following Wednesday.

House points will be awarded for completed homework.

**Times tables** - children are expected to practice and learn their times tables and corresponding division facts at home to ensure they can recall these rapidly. We will post links and activities on Seesaw to assist children with learning their times tables. Homework is given out on Friday's and collected in on Wednesdays.

A task will be uploaded on to Seesaw on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> September and we ask children to try to log on and send a response so that we know they are able to access the homework successfully. All login details have been given out, if your child has not received one or you experience problems, please let us know as soon as possible.

### PE:

During Autumn 1 PE will take place on Wednesdays with swimming taking place on Thursdays, please make sure PE kits are in school in preparation for this. PE kits can be brought in on Mondays and kept in lockers then go home on Fridays after the PE session. Please

make sure that your child has suitable footwear for outdoor sessions. You may wish to provide a pair of dark coloured tracksuit trousers and a change of jumper as the weather starts to turn cooler. Please also make sure all kit is labelled clearly with your child's name. Children will be advised if this day is changed.

PE - Wednesday's

Swimming - Thursday's

If you have any questions or concerns regarding your child's learning, then please contact the school office and arrange to come in and see us. You can email the school office, and this will then be forwarded on to us.

Best wishes

Mrs Parkes (Mon/Tues & alternate Wednesdays) and Miss Yates (Thurs/Fri & alternate Wednesdays)

