

September 8th 2021

Class 4 News

Dear Parents/Guardians,

I hope you have had an enjoyable and relaxing break over the summer!

Please find attached Class 4's curriculum sheet. This shows you what your child will be learning this autumn term and ways you can enhance your child's learning at this very important stage in their school career. This term, to go alongside our history topic of the Vikings vs Anglo-Saxons, we will be having a Vikings themed day at school. It would be great if your child could wear Viking style school clothes on the day. I will inform you of when this will take place closer to the date.

It is incredibly important that your child quickly re-establishes their regular reading habits. They will need to read for at least twenty minutes a day, from a range of texts. Please try and find the time to sit with your child and ask them questions which will show they have a good understanding of their reading. They will each be given a bookmark with some question ideas for you to use. I expect each child to record their own reading in their reading diaries, which will need to be signed by an adult and brought in every day.

As well as establishing regular reading habits, please ensure your child practises their multiplication and division facts through 10ticks and Stick & Split. Homework will be set through the 10ticks website. Times table knowledge is essential to supporting your child across all aspects of their maths work. Playing 10ticks and Stick & Split daily will help them to become fluent in their knowledge.

Each half term Key Instant Recall Facts (KIRFs) will be given to your child to practise and learn at home. These include practical ideas for you to assist your child in gaining fluency. It is important that they know these thoroughly and can recall specific facts instantly.

This year, we will be trialling a different method of spelling practice. Daily spelling practice will take place in school, where we will be using phonics to support their learning. Your child will be tested on their spellings each Friday and will hopefully become familiar with new vocabulary to utilise within their writing.

The government's statutory tests will be resuming this year. Year 6 SATs are timetabled from May 9th to Thursday 12th May 2022.

A full P.E. kit will need to be brought into school and remain in school for the half term. This should include plain black trainers, plain black or navy shorts and joggers, a white t-shirt and a school jumper. Swimming will be resuming this term but will be taking place on a Tuesday, beginning on Tuesday 14th September for the whole of the autumn term. As well as providing the appropriate sports kits, it is also essential that children have an apron or shirt for artwork, due to the messy nature of the subject!

If you have any queries or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

Miss Roberts