

Welcome to Year 4

Hello and a warm welcome to a new school year! It is so lovely to see all the children looking smart in their uniforms and back in school.

We have started the term well and children are enjoying not being the youngest in KS2!

Miss Rayaz is our Learning Support Assistant this year and Mr Marshall will take the class for the day every other Friday, starting this week.

If you have any queries or concerns, do see me after school or contact me via Seesaw.

Mrs Smith

Maths

This we will start by recapping place value, rounding numbers and comparing larger numbers up to 10,000.

We will also be learning about Roman Numerals up to 100 (or C!)

We will then move on to developing our addition and subtraction skills.

Throughout all our maths work we will be developing our problem-solving skills too.

We will also be focusing on our tables as next summer the children will have the Y4 Multiplication Check - all Y4 children across the country have to take this test.

How can I help? Top marks education has lots of fun maths games! www.topmarks.co.uk

The White Rose 'I-minute Maths' App which is free from the App Store or Google Play.

Make sure they keep practising on **Times Tables Rock Stars** – last year's login still works for them.

English

We will be focusing on reading and writing, being inspired by what we read and developing our writing skills. We will be using a book called 'The Thieves of Ostia' which is set in Ancient Rome. Connected to this we will be writing our own Roman Mystery story.

We will be revising what we already know about play scripts and adding to our skills in play writing.

On Fridays, when Mr Marshall has the class, they will be doing some poetry writing.

How can I help?

Encourage them to learn their spellings for the test each Friday.

Encourage your child to read anything at home! Magazines, newspapers, comics, books...

Curriculum

This half term in Science the children will be learning all about 'States of Matter' and finding out about solids, liquids and gases through lots of practical work.

In History, we shall be finding out about Roman Britain. (We will be doing Geography after half term.)

In Computing with Mr Marshall, we will be refreshing our knowledge of e-safety, and finding out about the amazing world of the Internet.

Useful Information

PE DAY – THURSDAY

Remembering kit is really important – light blue PE shirt, dark blue shorts, (leggings are allowed for girls on religious grounds) trainers or sandshoes. A water bottle is really important too. This half-term we will be having an external coach who will be teaching Karate skills. **PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE – MAKE SURE ALL PE KIT AND UNIFORM IS NAMED!**

E-safety reminder: Most social media sites (Snapchat, Instagram, Tik-tok etc.) have a lower age limit of 13. If you have permitted your child to use these sites, do you know who they are talking to? Or what they are posting? If your child enjoys gaming, again do you know who is in any group chat with them? It is recommended that if your child is on-line, that they do it in somewhere like the sitting room, rather than in their bedroom – it helps you know they are safe on line.

Remember to look at the Seesaw app to your phone or other smart device to see what homework your child has been set as well as messages and newsletters.

