# Year 4 Newsletter 2025-26

#### A warm welcome from the whole Year 4 team!

Welcome to all families of Year 4. We cannot wait to welcome children back to school on Wednesday 3rd September. We are looking forward to getting to know the children and to starting a successful year full of learning and fun!

### Year 4 Team:

4S Mr Monks (Year Leader)

4F Mr Lewis (Assistant Headteacher)

4H Mr Smith

4P Mr Veja

HLTA Ms Govender (Pupil Premium and support across the whole of Year 3 and 4).

TAs: Mrs. Bittar, Mrs. Ajerio, Mrs. Hodge, Mrs. Cleveley, Mrs. Favuzza, Mrs. Sahota

The Assistant Head for Middle Phase is Mr Lewis. If you have any questions or need to speak to a member of staff, please speak to your child's class teacher in the first instance. If the issue needs further clarification, then please speak with Mr Monks or Mr Lewis. All staff can be contacted through emailing the school office.

### **Values**

Our four core values are: respect, resilience, empathy and reflection. Children will continue to learn how to embed the values to help guide their behaviour and choices.

# Learning Challenge Curriculum

Year 4's first Autumn Learning Challenge Driver is: Would you choose to live next to a volcano or earthquake region? Throughout the year, details of our learning challenges can be found on the school website: Fielding Learning Challenge Curriculum

### **Dates for Your Diary**

Face to face parent consultation meetings are Monday 22nd & Monday 29<sup>th</sup> September, 7:40-8:30am & 3:40-7.00pm. Book your slot on MCAS when booking opens. Other diary dates can be found on the <u>Calendar</u> found on the school website.

# **Sharing Assemblies**

Each class across the school will be presenting one sharing assembly. All Year 4 sharing assemblies will be on a Friday morning at 9.10am in the main hall. Please see dates on the school calendar and they will be published on the Year 4 noticeboard.

# **Trips**

This year, Year 4 will go on various school trips and have the opportunity to take part in an overnight trip to PGL Liddington. This will encourage the children's independence and confidence whilst further bonding with their peers. Details and dates will follow (see the Year 4 noticeboard).

# Parent Volunteers

We would like to welcome any parents who would like to come in and support children. If you are interested, please speak to your child's class teacher. More information can be found <a href="here">here</a>.

# Gardening and Cooking

Year 4 will be taking part in termly Gardening and Cooking sessions. We would appreciate if you could contribute £13 annually. On G&C days, children will need to wear their own clothes (appropriate for gardening).

- Monday 22nd September 4H
- Tuesday 23rd September 4F
- Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> September 4P
- Friday 26<sup>th</sup> September 4S

Further details will be published on the Year 4 noticeboard.

#### **Times Table Rock Stars**

According to the National Curriculum, children should be able to fluently recall times tables to 12 by the end of Year 4. In the Summer term, children in Year 4 complete the Multiplication Check to assess this. Children learn times tables at school but are also expected to practise their times tables on <a href="Times Table Rock Stars">Times Table Rock Stars</a> for a minimum of 5 minutes, four times a week.

### Whole class guided reading

Our first whole class text will be: <u>The Borrowers by Mary Norton</u>. Where possible children should have their own personal copy. Pupil with a Pupil Premium Passport will be provided with one from school. The ISBN number is: 9780141354866.

# Reading Records

Children will be coming home with reading books and a new Fielding Reading Record. Children should read to an adult as often as possible, the adult should sign the reading record to say this has been completed and add a comment if necessary. The teacher will take the record in once a week to check and sign. These should be brought into school daily. You can find the Year 4 recommended reading list in the reading record. Your child can receive a bronze, silver or gold certificate for reading 5, 10 or 15 books from this list and completing a reading response activity. Children will also be required to borrow two school reading books (including one from the recommended reading list) and must be returned once completed. In addition, teachers will be reading to the class during 'story time' every day throughout the year. The books will either be the current books from English lessons or from the recommended reading list.

# Spelling

We will continue to do RWI spelling in Year 4. Children will be given both spellings linked to the pattern taught that week and a selection of specific curriculum spellings. The words for spelling practice will also be on the Year 4 noticeboard.

### Snack boxes and water

Please ensure that your child has a healthy snack for morning break. Lunch is not until 12.40pm so they will need a healthy snack to keep them going. No biscuits/cake bars or pastries please. Please ensure that your child has a named water bottle in school every day.

# School dinners

This year the caterer is, ISS, see our school dinners section of the website for more details:

• School dinners

# Personal belongings

We ask that children do not bring expensive personal items into school. Lockers and trays are provided for bags. Please ensure that bags fit into lockers, musical instruments can be kept in the teacher's cupboard.

### Uniform

In Year 4 we expect to maintain a high level of uniform standards. We have weekly PE sessions on a Thursday morning and children should come in their 'PE uniform'. Please click on the link below for guidance.

Uniform

### Finally,

We are looking forward to a happy and successful year. As always, if you have any questions, concerns or queries, do not hesitate to email your class teacher (through the office) or arrange an appointment to see them.

Warm wishes,

Year 4 Team