

Y4 NEWSLETTER - Spring 1

Dear Parents, Carers and children,

Welcome back! I hope that you have all had a great lovely holiday and a happy new year.

Y4 Team

- Ms Williamson will be teaching on Mondays and Tuesdays.
- Mrs Clark will be teaching on Thursdays and Fridays.
- Mrs Clark and Ms Williamson will teach on alternate Wednesdays.
- Mr Spencer will be teaching on Wednesday afternoons.
- Miss Brammer will be supporting the class in some lessons.

PE

Our PE days are **Tuesday (swimming)** and **Wednesday**. Please ensure that children bring suitable PE kits on these days.

Water Bottles

Please provide your child with a water bottle that can be kept in the classroom.

Library

Our Library day is Tuesday. Library books can be kept for a week and then should be returned so that they can be changed.

Homework

At the end of Week 1, children will receive an overview of homework for the half term. Each piece of homework will relate to the work we are doing in school. Homework should be submitted to school on a Wednesday according to the dates on the overview document. Parents are encouraged to help children with their homework and ensure that they complete it weekly. Spellings will be sent home on Monday and we will practise them throughout the week for a test on Friday.

Times Tables

As part of the new National Curriculum, children are expected to learn all of their times tables up to 12x12. We will be working on these in school but would highly appreciate any help you give to your child at home.

We have a Proud Wall in our classroom - please send in anything your child is proud of (certificates, models, work they have done at home etc) to be displayed.

Behaviour System in Y4

We follow the "Good to be Green" whole school behaviour system.

Each day a "Star of the Day" is chosen and this child has their photograph displayed on our class notice board. A "Star of the Week" is chosen for assembly on Friday and this person gets a certificate and has their photograph displayed on our class notice board for the whole

week. This person is also invited to the Head's Tea Party the following week. Children can also earn points for good work and behaviour. They achieve a Bronze certificate for 30 points, a Silver certificate for 100 points and a Gold certificate for 200 points. Stickers and notes home are also given as positive rewards.

In Y4 we earn our Golden Time - this is where the class can choose from a list of activities (for example, extra playtime). The whole class has to help us to get five stars so this may not happen every week!

Topic

Our topic is called "Raiders and Traders" and it is all about the Vikings - please see attached overview for more details.

Dates for your diary

- 17th January - Peer Mediator conference (for the children who applied)
- 25th January - Class assembly in the school hall at 2:45 pm
- 29th January - Whole day workshop from the History Van
- 12th February - swimming lessons start (a separate letter will follow)

If you have any queries or questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

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Year 4 Class Teachers