

Miss Watson's Class Newsletter

Monday 25th February 2019

Welcome back! An especially big welcome to the Year 4 children who have rejoined their Year 4 class mates.

Our learning

Please see the attached sheet for what and how we will be learning in the different subject areas.

Homework – times tables, spelling and reading

Children need to complete times table, spelling and reading homework each week.

Times tables

Children should know their times tables off by heart (3 seconds per question) by the end of Year 4.

Children should visit <https://trockstars.com/login> to play at least ten 'Garage' times tables games **by Friday** each week. If you don't have access to the internet, please let me know, as worksheets can be provided instead.

Children may be required to spend time practising times tables at playtime, if they are not practising at home.

A big thank you to everyone for helping to raise enthusiasm for times tables with those fabulous outfits on our Times Table Rock Stars themed day.

Spelling

Most children have now completed all of the Year 4 spelling units, so will be revising and consolidating these spellings, along with 'orange words'. At home, children should continue to practise all of the words in their blue Spelling Log Book, including the 'orange words' listed at the back. Please make sure these books are in school every day.

Reading

Please help your child to succeed by listening to them read as often as you can. Please record reading at home in your child's Reading Diary. Books in book bags are changed every Friday (unless your child hasn't finished with them – please ensure comments in Reading Diaries reflect this.)

Children may be required to spend time reading at playtime, if they are not reading at home.

Water, fruit and milk

Please make sure your child has a water bottle every day, containing only water. Children may bring fruit from home for a morning snack. If you'd like to pay for milk, please ask at the School Office.

PE

PE will be on **Tuesday** and **Thursday** afternoons this half-term, but please make sure your child has their PE kit **every day**.

Suitable clothing for outdoors PE, such as tracksuit bottoms and trainers, should be in your child's kit. Shorts/tracksuit bottoms should be navy blue or black and t-shirts should be white.

Please put your child's name in all their school clothes.

Depending on timing, children may be allowed to leave school wearing their PE kit, but if you'd rather your child gets changed back into their uniform before leaving please just let me know.

Nut allergies

There are children and adults in school with nut allergies. Packed lunch and treats for birthdays must be checked carefully to ensure they are **completely nut-free**, especially as one of these children is in Class 3.

Rewards

Expectations regarding behaviour, work and attendance remain the same. Through the 'Class Dojo' system, children earn points for all kinds of positive behaviours – working hard, good sitting, working quietly, good listening, forgiveness – and points mean prizes!

Dates for your diary

*** Please see the attached sheet and the school website for important dates. ***

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any queries. I am always happy to help.

Yours sincerely, Miss H. Watson

