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Dear Parents/Carers

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Year 4 Curriculum Letter – Term 4, 2019

Welcome back! This term our topic is '**Wind in the Willows**'. We will be reading the text and writing a sequel to the famous novel. The main event this term is our annual production. We were overwhelmed with the fantastic auditions at the end of last term and are so excited to start putting the production together! We would appreciate your support in encouraging your child to learn their lines and song words for the production which is 'The Wind in the Willows'.

Curriculum:

Literacy: In literacy we will be looking at stories set in imaginary worlds. The grammar we will be focusing on will include verb tenses, punctuating speech and organising paragraphs.

Maths: In maths we will be learning about area of 2D shapes and extending our knowledge of fractions. Ability to recall times table facts will ensure that your child is more confident when learning about fractions.

Science: In science we will be looking at the importance of good nutrition and looking at different habitats.

Geography: We will be researching our local area. A great place to take your child to visit is the River and Rowing Museum in Henley (post code RG9 1BF).

PE: Correctly named PE kit should be kept in school **all week**. PE kits should come to school on a Monday morning and go home on a Friday afternoon. A reminder that PE kits should consist of: navy blue shorts, jogging bottoms, a plain white T-Shirt (or house coloured t-shirt with the LPPS logo) and trainers. Children will need outdoor trainers as well as suitable shoes for inside activities. Please remember long hair needs to be tied back and earrings should be removed or covered with tape which will need to be provided. Our P.E days are **Wednesday** (selection of invasion games) and **Thursday** (movement).

Daily Organisation: Children are required to be in school by 8.40 a.m. We encourage the children to line up when they arrive at school in the morning so that we can welcome them in when we come out.

Medication: Please ensure that your child's teacher is made aware if your child needs an inhaler (or any other agreed medication) and that it is labelled and kept in school at all times.

Homework: Every **Monday** your child will be given a piece of maths homework, which will be due in on the following **Monday**. Maths homework will usually be a sheet of questions to support work covered in class to aid your child's understanding of fluency & number sense. It is important for your child to keep practising the times tables at home using Times Tables Rockstars. This has already proved to have a significant impact on their learning during the last academic year.

Every Wednesday your child will be taught a new spelling rule and then given a list of words to practise this spelling rule at home. Children will then be tested on this spelling rule on the following Wednesday. If you have any questions regarding this please let us know.

There is also an expectation that every child will read at home and record their reading. Reading is the main way to help your child be successful in their learning.

There is a homework menu for Term 4. We would like to encourage all children to complete at least one of the tasks. We were very impressed with the number of stars we awarded in Term 3 for such excellent effort with homework. Keep up the good work! These activities can be handed in at any point during the term.

Two Minute Talks: A revised rota for 2 minute talks is displayed in the creative area window. For Term 4, we would like to encourage the children to share a paragraph from a story that has captured their imagination. These talks are aimed at developing confident speakers and create reasoned discussion.



Important Dates:

Thursday 7 March	World Book Day – dress up as a favourite book character Share your favourite book at 2:30 pm
Wednesday 20 March	Hill End meeting for parents at 3:30 pm
Thursday 21 March	Cake Crumbly
Thursday 28 March	AM – C11 to visit Didcot Library
Tuesday 26 March	Costumes due in
Tuesday 2 April	Production Performance! Performance times: 1.30pm and 6.15pm All children are expected back at school at 5.45pm for our evening performance.
Friday 5 April	Term Ends – school ends at 1.15pm

If you have any problems, questions or concerns, please do feel free to discuss them with us, bearing in mind that before school is a very busy time. We look forward to a busy and exciting term.

Thank you for your continuing support.

Claire Shorrock, Cress Lai & Lynn Naiver
Year 4 Class teachers

