

Year 4 Newsletter



Term 1

Welcome to Year 4! We hope you enjoyed your summer break and are excited to start an exciting year ahead.

We are looking forward to an exciting term with our topic 'Where are the Americas?' We would love to celebrate any knowledge the children have. If they feel confident enough to share these with us, please do let us know.

Times Tables

At the end of year 4, all children are required to undertake the Multiplication Tables Check, an assessment to see how well the children have developed their fluency and recall of their times tables. To that end, it is really important that your child practices their times tables regularly to ensure that they are confident in their knowledge. Times Tables Rockstars is a fantastic way for the children to practice: Jamming for specific times tables practice, Garage to test speed and improve their heatmap and Soundcheck for practice of how the test will be. The expectation is that all children play for 30 minutes a week and those that do will receive a certificate, entrance into the weekly class raffle and a Dojo point. There will also be regular tournaments between Macaw and Flamingo classes so watch out for those!

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4	4	8	12	16	20	24	28	32	36	40	44	48
5	5	10	15	20	25	30	35	40	45	50	55	60
6	6	12	18	24	30	36	42	48	54	60	66	72
7	7	14	21	28	35	42	49	56	63	70	77	84
8	8	16	24	32	40	48	56	64	72	80	88	96
9	9	18	27	36	45	54	63	72	81	90	99	108
10	10	20	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	100	110	120
11	11	22	33	44	55	66	77	88	99	110	121	132
12	12	24	36	48	60	72	84	96	108	120	132	144

This is another great resource for practice:

<https://mathsframe.co.uk/en/resources/resource/477/Multiplication-Tables-Check>

Reading

Each child will have the opportunity to go to the library and choose a book each week. These reading books should be brought home each day and brought back the following morning. Please record your child's reading in their reading records daily to show that they have read to an adult. It is also important that you read with your child as regularly as you can—hearing a child read regularly helps to significantly improve their fluency and understanding of the texts they read, which in turn gives them greater confidence and access to their learning and the world around them. The children will be given a level to choose their books from which is aimed at their ability and understanding. The Year 4 word count target is 50 000 words - who can reach their target this year?

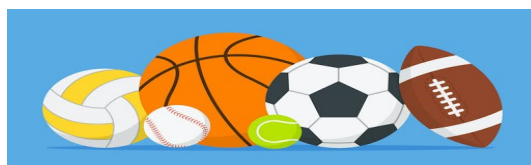


Homework

English and Maths weekly homework will be set on a Friday and will be due the following Wednesday.

PE Days

In term 1, PE days will be on a Tuesday (indoor) and Wednesday (outdoor). Please remember to come to school in your PE kit on these days. Earrings should be removed for PE days and long hair tied back. If your child is unable to take their earrings out, they will be given a role such as a coach or score keeping. If there are any problems that arise, please contact your child's teacher.



We ask that a Dojo message is sent if your child is unable to participate in P.E.

If you have any questions or concerns please contact us, either through Dojo or by contacting the school office.

Mrs Kavanagh, Mrs Townsend, Mrs Gillam, Mrs Ridley, Mrs Winter and Miss Pymm