

Year 4 Newsletter

Term 4

We are looking forward to another exciting term with our unit all about how the world around us has changed, particularly our local area of Rainham. Year 4 will be investigating What Rainham has looked like in the past, how the area has changed over the decades, and what it might look like in the future! The children will be given the opportunity to engage in enquiry led learning, analysing sources and looking for clues to deepen their understanding of how the world has changed.



We will be doing a lot of cross curricular learning this term, with our work also influencing our Art, where we will study St Margaret's church.

We would love to celebrate any knowledge the children have, or anything you may have at home to learn more about Rainham's past. If the children feel confident enough to share these with us, please do let us know.

Times tables

All of the children have worked really hard on their times tables knowledge and we are seeing steady improvements in their practice MTC scores.

It is so important that your child logs in to **Times Tables Rockstars** at www.play.ttrockstars.com. This will help your children regularly practice their times tables, and allow us to keep track of your child's progress so we can continue to support them in school. Even a short ten minute practice three times a week can have a really big impact.



Reading



Each child has the opportunity to go to the library and choose a book every week. These reading books should be brought home each day and brought back the following morning. Your child's reading needs to be recorded and signed in their reading records daily to show that they have read to an adult.

Please try to listen to your child read as often as you can, it makes a huge difference not only to their confidence, but their reading and writing too.

Contact Diaries

Contact diaries are used to send messages and reminders home. They should be signed by an adult and returned to class on a daily basis. The class teacher or teaching assistant will check the contents daily.

PE Days

PE days will be on a Monday (Indoor PE) and Thursday (Outdoor PE). Please remember your child should come in to school wearing their PE kit on PE 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.