

Year 4 newsletter

Spring Term 1

Dear all,

Happy New Year! We hope that you have had a lovely Christmas and New Year break. We're looking forward to a busy and exciting half term with the year 4s. This half term's topic is Ancient Greece. Please see the attached curriculum information to find out some of the things we will be learning over the next 7 weeks.

General information:

PE: PE days are Monday and Friday. Please make sure that your child has a full PE kit in school on a Monday (they will have their 'Fit Friday' clothes on anyway on a Friday). Quite a few children are wearing earrings to school at the moment. Please either remove them before school on PE days or cover them with a plaster or tape before school. Long hair must be tied back for PE. Thank you.

Water bottles: Please make sure that your child has a water bottle in school every day. We don't always have a teaching assistant in class with us, so getting drinks for children without bottles is sometimes difficult. Thank you.

Spellings: Spellings will continue to be sent out via Spelling Frame each Wednesday or Thursday, and tested the following Thursday.

Times tables: Please encourage your child to practise their times tables through Times Table Rockstars or any other method that they enjoy. We will continue to teach times tables daily in school and let you know via Class Dojo which table we are focussing on each week. We are working really hard to improve the class's knowledge of times table facts and really appreciate your help with this at home.

Communication: Please check Class Dojo every day for notes, messages and photos of what we have been up to. We will continue to use Class Dojo for most communication relating to our class. Parentmail will occasionally be used, but is more frequently used for whole-school communication. Please let us know if you are unable to check Class Dojo daily, as we may assume you have received a message when you have not. If you send us a message on Class Dojo, it is always best to send it to Miss Chivers on a Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday and Mrs Collins on a Thursday or Friday. If you do read a notice on 'Class Story' on ClassDojo, we would really appreciate you clicking 'like' so that we know you have seen it. Thank you.

Reading: We listen to your child read in various different contexts throughout the week in school and aim to hear your child read individually on Bug Club once per week or fortnight. Please continue to listen to your child read at home. We recommend 10-15 minutes most days but we know that this is not always possible. As much as you can manage will be really beneficial to your child's reading ability, even if your child is already a fluent reader. Please write a comment in your child's reading record to let us know how they did and to highlight any issues or difficulties they may have had.

Thank you for your continued support.

Miss Chivers and Mrs Collins