



WEST BOROUGH

YEAR 4 PARENT INFORMATION



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September 2021

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Year 4 Staff

Lime Class – Class Teacher: Mrs Cook, Mrs Luckhurst (Tuesday am), Teaching Assistant: Mrs Dunn
Lilac Class – Class Teacher: Mrs Waters (Tues-Fri), Mrs Luckhurst (Monday), Teaching Assistant: Miss Petridge
Larch Class – Class Teacher: Mrs Bunting, Teaching Assistant: Miss Buckley
Year 4 LSA: Mrs Dolmaci
Leader of Learning for Woodlands Team (Y3 & 4): Mrs Eades

PPA Cover (PE, Music and French) is Tuesday afternoon. This is covered by Mr Atkinson, Mrs Hill and Mrs Luckhurst. Children need to wear their PE kits to school on a Tuesday and a Thursday. Please wear warmer clothes (navy joggers and navy hoodie) in the colder months and please take out earrings on these days.

Our Learning

During the course of the year our topics will be:

Term 1— Light and Sound
 Term 2—Frozen
 Term 3—Chocolate
 Term 4—The Water Cycle
 Term 5—Europe
 Term 6—The Human Body

For the first few weeks, we are spending time gauging where the children are in their Maths and English learning, so we can plan to fill any gaps. Please be reassured that we are taking time to ensure everyone settles back in to school life after the summer holidays.

Learning is cross curricular and we will continue to focus on deepening understanding of Maths through the mastery approach and English skills. Children will be expected to write in Standard English and expectations of handwriting, spelling, punctuation and grammar will continue to be high.

We will continue to develop learning skills alongside our core values and curriculum. These skills enable children to become life long learners. The focus of these skills change every other term.

Any trips or visits will be confirmed later on in the year once we have bookings and availability confirmed.

Timestables

It is an expectation that children in Year 4 know all of their times tables up to 12 x 12. At the end of the year there is a Statutory Timestable check which the children will take part in. To help them prepare for this, children will continue to be regularly tested in class. Times tables should also be practiced regularly at home and children can access Timestables Rockstars using their login. A reminder of their login will be sent home with them in their blue reading record books.

Learning at Home

Children are expected to read aloud at home at least 3 times a week and the contact book should be signed. However, reading books need to be in school every day. Reading books will be changed as often as necessary.

We will be continuing Buster's Reading incentive scheme this year. Children will receive a new bookmark very soon. Please record the number of minutes that they have read on a Wednesday evening ready for data collection on a Thursday. If your child has exceeded their target minutes please record this on the bookmark too. Our target in **Year 4 is to read for at least 20 minutes per night.**

In addition to reading, we expect the children to learn and practise times tables and weekly spellings which can be found in the blue reading record books.

The children will continue to have home learning which needs to be completed to a high standard. This must be returned to school on a weekly basis as per the termly challenge sheet.

Water Bottles and Fruit

Please ensure your child has a named water bottle in school everyday, please ensure this is water only. They may also bring in a fruit snack for playtime. If it is cut fruit, please put this in a named container.

Welcome to Year 4, the Year 4 team are all looking forward to a fantastic year of learning and fun. The children have already settled in so well and we can't wait to see them blossom as the year progresses. We would like to thank you all in advance for supporting your children's learning during their time in Year 4.

Class Teacher Contact

Should you need to contact your child's teacher, you can send an individual message via Class Dojo. Please note that this may not be checked during the day, so if your matter is urgent, please contact the school office. To report an absence please use ParentMail or to advise of a change in collection arrangements, please contact the school office via phone or email before 2:30pm. We will endeavour to keep you up to date with what we've been learning via Class Dojo. We may also need to call you from time to time.

Equality, Responsibility, Respect, Resilience, Challenge