Year 4 Parents Letter

Curriculum

- Curriculum information is written on the homework slip so you can see what topics are being covered. You can also access our curriculum plan on the Engayne website.
- PE will be on a **Tuesday** and swimming is on a **Thursday**. PE kits will be kept in school and sent home at the end of a half term for washing.
- Please can **all** children with long hair ensure they have this tied up on a Tuesday and Thursday.

Homework

- Homework information will be sent home via ParentPay every Friday.
- Children will have a spelling test every other week, allowing them two weeks to learn their spellings. Spellings will be sent home on the homework sheet.
- Children are expected to practise spellings and times tables each day and we also ask parents/carers to listen to their child **reading** aloud a minimum of **three times a week**.
- Please write in their blue reading diary each time you hear your child read (these diaries should be brought to school each day). These will be checked by teachers each week.
- Sometimes the children may be able to read a text but not completely understand what they are reading, therefore we encourage you to discuss the book with them.
- Children will be expected to know all of their times tables to 12 x 12 by the end of year 4. This a useful website for practising times tables (as well as the Times Tables Rock Stars app): https://www.timestables.co.uk/multiplication-tables-check/

Contacting the teacher If you need to speak to the class teacher, you can send them a private message on Class Dojo or speak to them at the end of the day at collection time. You can also email the office at contact@enagyne.co.uk marked for the attention of your child's class teacher. Please email the office with any information regarding absences or appointments.

Water and snacks Children are allowed to bring a healthy snack such as vegetables, fruit or crackers for playtime. Please make sure these are in a labelled reusable container. We encourage all children to bring in a water bottle to sit on their desks during the day. Engayne encourages this as a way of helping the children to concentrate. Please ensure that bottles have sports caps to reduce spillage. **Stanley cups are not allowed.**

Jewellery No jewellery is allowed except for digital or analogue watches, no Fitbits or smart watches. Earrings are not allowed. If children wear earrings they will be asked to take them out.

Uniform All children wearing shirts must wear a school tie. School shoes must be black, no trainers or boots.

Bags Please keep bags as small as possible as they need to fit into the children's locker, along with PE kits and coats. Children need their reading diary, reading book and a water bottle every day. Children are allowed a small pencil case that will fit into their trays with rubber, sharpener, pencil and coloured pencils. Pencil cases will be sent home if causing a distraction from work. Children do not need to bring their own notepads into the classroom. The children are responsible for all their own equipment throughout the year.

Online safety

We teach the children about staying safe online and their online footprint. We recommend that all parents also talk to their children about safe use of the internet. There have been problems for some children in the past caused by social media and phone use. We recommend that parents block sites that the children are not allowed on and that internet use is supervised.