

Year 4 Autumn Term 2017

Welcome back to school, we hope you all had a wonderful and peaceful break enjoying the sunshine. Now that we are back there are a few things we thought we should share with you to help everyone have a great year four.

Homework

There are two sets of homework per week in Year 4, with the exception of the last week of term and parents' evening week. Children are also expected to read every day for 10 minutes with an adult.

Homework	Handed Out	Due In
Spellings	Every Friday	Every Wednesday
Maths	Every Friday	Every Wednesday

For their spelling homework children will be expected to complete the sentences and then learn the spelling pattern for their spelling test which will be held at the end of every half term. The other homework this half term is Maths. Your child will continue with the times tables booklet that they had last year. They are expected to learn the times tables and then be tested at home. There will be spot tests in school and the children will be rewarded using the sticker system explained on the card. There will also be specific class related maths homework set weekly.

English and Maths

We are going to try and involve the children in the planning by asking them what types of writing they would like to do on this term. Our English work will be linked to our class novel for the first half term. We will look at a range of topics in Maths including; understanding place value, addition, subtraction, factors and calculating, 2-d shapes, angles and symmetry and different numbers. There will be an information afternoon on Monday 18th of September to allow you to meet your child's class and English teacher and their maths teacher. You'll also get a chance to experience their learning environment.

Foundation Subjects

Our topic this half term is Early Settlers. This will lead into our topic for the second half term which is The Anglo-Saxons which will also provide the inspiration for our Art lessons as we attempt to imitate and understand their art work.

In R.E. we will be starting with a unit on Judaism. We will be comparing many of their customs and festivals with that of the Christian faith. If anyone has any experience they would like to share please talk to your child's class teacher. In Science we will be studying animals including humans, teeth and investigating sound. The children will also be learning French and Computing over the course of autumn term.

Swimming and Games

All children should have a full, named P.E. kit in school every day. Elm will have games lessons on Monday, Oak will have games on Wednesday and Spruce will do games on Thursday. Games lessons are usually outside, weather permitting, and therefore children need to have a sensible pair of trainers.

Year 4 will be swimming throughout the autumn term. Oak and Spruce will swim on a Tuesday and Elm will be swimming on a Thursday. Please make sure girls have a swimming costume (1piece) and boys have trunks (no Bermuda shorts). They will also need a swimming hat (long hair) and goggles.

Here's to an exciting and successful Autumn term!

Mrs Collins

Mrs Brodie

Miss Brick

Mr Jones