



**Welcome to Year 4**

# Year 4 Staff Team

## Class Teachers

**Mrs Butler** – Every day

**Mrs Raper**– Wednesday morning

## Teaching Assistants

**Mrs Mannix, Mrs Heath, Mrs Laur Baker and Mrs Munday**

# Timings for the day.



- Arrive at school 0845pm
- Break is from 1025 to 1040hrs. This is for years 3 and 4. Each class will have a week on the climbing frame and a week on the mound.
- Lunch is from 1220 to 1320hrs, class will go out play first and have their lunch in the hall from 1245hrs.
- End of school is 1520hrs and the children will be released into the Key Stage 1 playground. Parents to wait near the wall and children will walk down to you.

# Year 4 Events Autumn 2021

Harvest Festival – Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> September

Class 4 Assembly – Friday 11<sup>th</sup> November

## Other information

School council will be elected, three members of the class will serve the class for the whole year.

# Year 4 Multiplication Check

- At the end of the year, the class will complete an online multiplication check.
- Checks tables up to and including  $12 \times 12$ .
- Takes place in a three week window in June.
- 25 questions with 6 seconds to answer each question.



# Homework Expectations

- Daily practise of times tables
- Maths homework set on a Friday and due for the Thursday the following week.
- The homework task should take no more than 20 minutes
- Neat presentation – completed in pencil
- Use of folder to transport homework book and sheets between home and school
- This will be marked either by an adult or sometimes the children in class time.

# Online Activities

- Homework may involve Active Learn or TTRockStar activities
- Please check children know their logins. They are the same as those from year 3.
- Read together the pages regarding the use of Internet and E-safety in the planners.

# Reading

- Read to an adult every day for at least 15 minutes
- Please note in the planner the date, book and page numbers read
- Any additional comments are welcome
- Discuss vocabulary, predict the story, discuss the plot/characters/setting
- Make it an enjoyable experience!
- Planners are checked regularly for reading at home

# Reading Challenge

- Mix of reading and tasks
- Children earn points for completing books and talking to an adult about them
- Points can be earned for completing tasks in school – time given in class each week for this
- Suggested reading list is on the class page of the website

# Equipment Needed

All children are expected to provide an A4 envelope style plastic folder. It should be in school each day along with a reading book and planner.

Children may bring in one pencil case but school will provide equipment if needed.

It should include:

- HB pencils
- 30cm ruler
- Eraser
- Pencil sharpener
- Coloured pencils
- Glue stick

# P.E.

P.E. will initially take place on a Monday morning and Wednesday morning (swimming).

P.E. kits should be worn to school on a Monday and Wednesday

Earrings must be removed. No hooded tops.

If your child is unable to do P.E., please put this in writing, either in a letter or email the office.

**Please make sure all clothing is clearly labelled!**

# Growth Mindset

- Developing positive attitudes to learning for all
- Sitting with a learning partner for the week
- Mixed ability – opportunity to discuss learning with a greater range of peers
- Option for children to choose their level of challenge on tasks – guidance given if needed
- Focus on how they can improve

# How to help...

- Routine for homework
- Daily reading
- Daily practise of key maths facts – times tables and number bonds
- Contact me if you have any concerns or queries



# Healthy Schools

- Water bottles – named and only containing water
- Healthy packed lunches
- Snacks for breaktime – fruit or a vegetable in its pure form, savoury cracker and small piece of cheese eg Babybel.
- Time for physical activity
- Sleep!



# Reminder...

- Up to date medical information and contact details, send in any inhalers or medication for allergies, clearly labelled.
- Medicine policy – no medicines administered without a medical form. This includes creams.
- Please send a letter to excuse PE for injury/illness
- Please contact the school office if your child is unwell
- Avoid holidays and appointments in term time
- Please view the website for regular updates

- If your child would like music lessons; violin, brass, woodwind and piano are currently offered. Contact the school office for more details.
- Breakfast club, afterschool club etc. Details are on the school website.
- Please continue to read the weekly newsletter as at times dates and timings have to change.

# Keep in touch...

- Please keep me informed of anything which may affect your child's learning or welfare.
- If you have any concerns, please see me at the end of the day.

If you need to contact me, you can email the office

[admin@greatchesterford.essex.sch.uk](mailto:admin@greatchesterford.essex.sch.uk)

