

WELCOME BACK YEAR 4

Your teachers this term will be Ben, Ayesha, Nasima, Keri,, Nadia, Abida, Le-Verne, Khaleda, Marian Shorifa, Shaz and Farzana.
The phase leader is Alex.



YEAR 4 PUPILS

During your time in Year 4, we will expect you to:

- ◆ Always put in 100% effort.
- ◆ Aim to have 100% attendance (research shows that there is a direct link between fantastic end of year results and extremely high attendance).
- ◆ Be kind and considerate to everyone.
- ◆ Do your homework to a high standard and hand it in on time.
- ◆ Read every night with an adult at home.
- ◆ Practise your spellings.
- ◆ Look after your own things.
- ◆ Make sure you wear the correct uniform with the appropriate footwear.
- ◆ Have your PE kit at school.

I will be learning...

ENGLISH

As part of our topic 'Volcanoes,' we will be reading a book called 'Pompeii' by Karen Ball, for which the children will be writing their own story involving a dilemma.



Later in the Autumn term the children will be reading 'Journey to Jo'burg' by Beverley Naidoo. As part of this unit the children will write a persuasive article related to the Apartheid in South Africa.

MATHS

During our maths lessons, we will be focusing on place value to begin with. As the term progresses, we will use our knowledge of place value to calculate problems involving the four operations— addition, subtraction, multiplication and division.



HUMANITIES

Our topic this half term is 'Earthquakes and Volcanoes' The children will be learning about where and why they occur and the effects they can have. During the second half of the autumn term, the children will be studying 'Food around the World.' The children will be learning about where different foods come from and the process they go through to reach our plates.



SCIENCE During science lessons, the children will be learning about sound, including understanding how it is made and how it travels. Later in the autumn term they will also be learning about living things and their habitats.



COMPUTING In computing, children will research volcanoes online and publish and present their Internet research. They will also be organising their research using a database.

PSHE This term children will be celebrating differences in PSHE. They will be having lots of discussions and completing tasks based around appreciating that we are all different.

ART & D.T. This term Year 4 will be exploring electrical systems looking at circuits and switches to make a torch in DT. In art, they will be learning about Japanese artist Hokusai from the Edo period. They will be learning about the features of a landscape, responding to Hokusai's 'Thirty Six Views of Mount Fuji'.

P.E. Please ensure the children's P.E kit is in school at the start of the week and taken home to be washed at the weekend. Timor Class will be going swimming on a Friday afternoon throughout the autumn term. Baffin and Arctic Class will go swimming later in the year.

Music In Music the children will be learning to read music notes and play and synchronise tunes both on the metallophone and the recorder.

Trips

Our first trip this year will be to the Natural History Museum in September, which will help us with the topic and English learning we are going to be doing this half term. More information about this trip will be sent home soon!

Family Welcome Workshop

Parents of Year 4 children are invited to attend the Family Welcome Workshop on Thursday 20 September. This opportunity will allow you the chance to meet your child's new teacher in their new classroom and ask any questions you may have regarding the year ahead.

The meetings are in class at 9:10 and last for about twenty minutes.

Please drop your child off as normal and then sign in at the front office where you will be shown to the class.

Uniform

As per the uniform policy, pupils must wear grey or black trousers/skirt, and a white polo shirt with a school jumper. Footwear should be completely black. We are looking to become a more active school, so shoes that have fastenings across the top (such as laces or velcro) are preferred. Black trainers will be more comfortable for your child than black shoes. Hijabs should be either blue, dark grey, white or black. Parents will be contacted if pupils are wearing incorrect uniform.

We are looking forward to enjoying this first term in Year 4!

Things you will need in Year 4

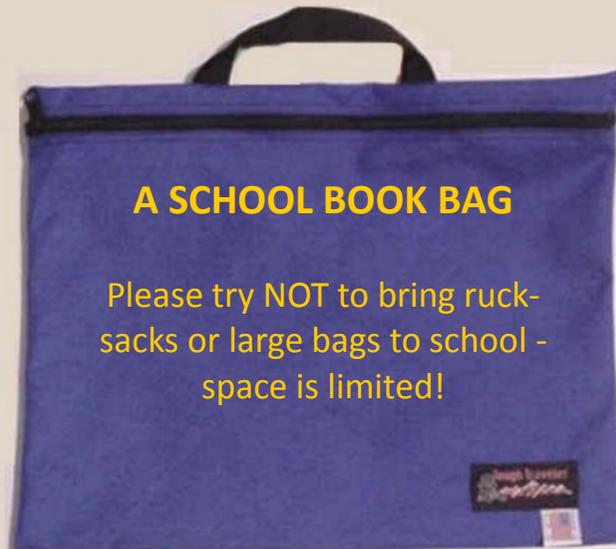
SCHOOL SHOES



Plimsolls or lace-ups. Trainers can be worn, as long as they are completely black.

PE KIT/Swimming kit

For PE: shorts, T-shirt, plimsolls or trainers.
For swimming: swim wear and towel in a small drawstring bag.



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Please **remember** to label everything with your name – especially sweatshirts, PE kits and coats!



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