

## YEAR 4 CLASS NEWSLETTER SPRING TERM 2023

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To Parents of:

To School Members:

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## Year 4 ~ Class Newsletter ~ Spring Term 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back for the Spring term! I hope you have all had a wonderful break over the Christmas period and are looking forward to returning for the new term.

This term in Year Four, we are very lucky to have the support of one of our new TAs Mrs Thompson. She will be working with us everyday and is looking forward to meeting all the children! The class will continue to be taught by Mrs Gent for the second half of Tuesday afternoons.

The only things that the children will need to bring with them to school is their book bag containing their reading book, a water bottle and a packed lunch. Due to limited space in our cloakroom, we do not have the room to accommodate rucksacks or any extra belongings that the children bring into school.

We are lucky to continue having **PE** lessons taught twice a week. For Year Four, these lessons will be on **Tuesday** afternoon and **Wednesday** at lunchtime. On Tuesdays, the children will be taught by Mr Walter and then on Wednesdays will be taught by Mr Emery from Primary Sports. On these days, please can children be sent into school wearing their full PE kit. As we are now changing to our new uniform, this is a navy blue or plain black hoodie/sweatshirt, plain navy or black shorts/joggers, a plain white t-shirt and black trainers. PE hoodies are only to be worn on these PE days as not as part of our full school uniform.

In English our first focus text is 'Dare to Care for a Pet Dragon' by M.P. Robertson and Sally Symes. To begin with, we will look closely at the structure of this book and then also at the author's use of complex sentences. At the end of the unit we will make use of our new knowledge to write an informative leaflet. After that, we will look at the book 'Blue John' by Berlie Doherty which we will use to support the development of our descriptive narrative writing.

In Maths we will be continuing to learn about multiplication and division. This term, our focus will be on the methods that can be used to multiply and divide and will continue to consolidate our multiplication and division facts as we go through the sequence. After that, we will move on to measuring length and perimeter before looking at fractions. We will continue with the Around the World challenge on Wednesdays. Again, we aim to keep the pressure around this low. The children have all enjoyed engaging with this each week, particularly when they have been practicing on Times Tables Rock Stars at home.

For the spring term, spellings will continue to be tested weekly on Fridays. Spelling lists will be sent home weekly and will contain a mixture of the statutory spellings and words that contain the spelling rules the children will learn throughout the year. Again, any support from home to help the children practice and learn these spellings will be greatly appreciated.

Finally, I'd like to emphasise the importance of reading with your children at home. It really does make a huge impact on their learning when they are regularly spending time reading in school and at home.

If you have any questions about anything regarding your child, please do not hesitate to contact us. Please email admin@winkleigh.devon.sch.uk. We will try to get a reply within 48 hours.

Kind Regards,

Miss McLean



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