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Welcome to Year 4

Staff

There are two Year 4 classes. Mrs Waters teaches in Neptune class 4 days a week. Mrs Fabian will teach Neptune class on a Thursday. Mrs George is the teacher in Mercury class and teaches every day. Miss Sheldrake, Mrs Oliveira, Mrs Fabian and Mrs Smith will be working in Year 4 to support the children.

School Uniform

As you are aware, Key Stage 2 children are asked to wear a shirt and tie as part of their school uniform. Please note that the classroom windows and doors will be kept open, where possible, so your child may require an additional layer on colder days. To reduce risk factors related to Covid-19, **the children will need to come to school in FULL PE KIT or sportswear on their PE days**, please make sure this kit is appropriate for the weather because PE will be outside.

Year 4 PE days are Monday and Friday

Reading Books

Reading every day is extremely important and a great way to connect with your child. Sharing and passing resources will continue to be kept to a minimum and as recommended any resources handled will be cleaned or quarantined for a period of time after use. With this in mind, we intend to provide the children with one or two reading books each week for the children to enjoy and share at home with you. **We ask that these books are returned to school every Friday** when they can be quarantined and each child will be issued with new books for the next week. Should you require additional books, please encourage your child to ask the adults in class and we will endeavour to arrange this for them, but please bear with us as we work our way through this new system. In school, the children will of course continue to read with the adults and we have a range of books and ebooks we can use and then quarantine.

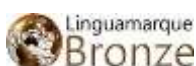
Homework

Children in Year 4 will be expected to read at home, practise their times tables (on Times Table Rockstar) and spellings. Other homework tasks will be set on Purple Mash, the online learning platform the children will be using in school. Purple Mash can be used most successfully on a tablet or laptop. Please do not worry if your child doesn't have access to Purple Mash at home because we can organise an alternative method. They will need to let us know. **Any child who has not completed their homework, will be asked to attend a lunchtime session in order to complete this work.**

Online Resources

In addition to a Purple Mash login, the children will be given access to Times Table Rockstars. This is something that they should be used to as it was also used in Year 3. This can be downloaded as an app or opened in a browser. This resource will develop your child's accuracy and speed when recalling their times tables and is something that we work on every day in school. All of the Year 4 children will be expected to sit the new Multiplication Test during the Summer Term. All necessary usernames and passwords will be sent home over the next few weeks, once the children have become familiar with these platforms again.

Collecting at the end of the school day



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As you know the school day is 9am – 3:05pm for the children in Year 4. The children will use the Playground Gate to enter and leave the site. We ask you to be patient at the end of the day as we become familiar with you and your family.



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