

Year 4 News

Dear Parents, Carers and Children,

Welcome to Year 4! We hope you all had a relaxing summer holiday and are looking forward to the year ahead. We certainly are!

We have a very exciting year planned, with some great topics to be studied! Below is some information which we hope will be useful to introduce you to what we will be learning this half-term. We have included an overview of what we will be studying across the curriculum.

We hope this newsletter answers any immediate questions, but please do get in touch if you have any questions or concerns and we'll be more than happy to help.

Many thanks,

Erin Campbell and Niamh Armstrong



Times Tables

The children will be assessed on a particular multiplication table each week, they will be asked to complete their specific multiplication table within 10 seconds to encourage speed. Once the children have completed their 12 times tables they will then move onto working on speed tables. If you could also encourage the children to use Times Tables Rockstars at home then that would be fantastic. The logins are the same as last year and will be stuck in the front of their school planner.

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Class Organisation

The children are taught from the Year Four curriculum. Miss Campbell will be teaching Skylark Class and Miss Armstrong will be teaching Lapwing Class. We are very excited to be working with your amazing children! Mrs Blakey is the wonderful teaching assistant in Skylark Class and Mrs Francsico is the fantastic teaching assistant in Lapwing Class. Mr Richardson will also be teaching Skylark children PSHE and PE on a Wednesday morning and Lapwing children PSHE and PE on a Wednesday afternoon. This will be during our PPA time.

Twitter / X

We post lots of our fantastic achievements and activities on X, previously known as Twitter, the handle for Skylark Class is @SkylarksHFS and Lapwing Class is @LapwingsHFS - Please follow us!



Reading

The children will read for 15 minutes at the start of the day, 20 minutes at the end of the day and will read individually as often as possible. It is very important that they read on a daily basis at home, too. Please make sure your child has their book and planner every day so that they are ready to read and please record reading at home. We check the planners each week so that we can see what the children have read. If the children have finished the school's reading scheme, then they are welcome to choose books to read from the free readers' section of the Library or alternatively, a suitable book from home. If any parents/grandparents/carers are able to come into school each week to hear children read, this support would be greatly appreciated. Please let us know if you would like to help!

Homework

Homework will be set on a Friday in homework books which the children will bring home and return to school by the following Tuesday. The homework will be a range of activities from different curriculum areas throughout the year. The activities will be set to support learning in class and will be matched to the children's abilities.



PE Skylark—Wednesday and Friday Lapwing—Monday and Wednesday

At the start of each PE lesson, the children will be required to get changed so we would be very grateful if PE kits could be kept in school for easy access. It can get quite chilly outside so extra layers like sweatshirts, hoodies and joggers/leggings are useful to keep in PE bags.