

# Year 4 Newsletter



Hello everyone, we hope that you have all had an amazing half term and are happy to be back at school! Welcome back to Year Four, we are really looking forward to teaching you and helping you to learn about lots of new and exciting things this term, before Christmas! ☺

## Love Where You Live

This is our theme for Term Two and includes lots of exciting activities involving Wouldham and our local area. We will be learning about different types of settlement, the counties and cities in the UK, the buildings & people in Wouldham and how Wouldham has changed and why.

## Reading

We have a range of fantastic books in Year 4 and children will have the opportunity to choose books both from the classroom and from the Key Stage Two Library area. Children on scheme books will continue to progress through the reading scheme, before moving onto being free readers, where they will choose their own book. We ask adults to support us at home by hearing your child read aloud and by asking questions about what they have read. These questions could include asking children to summarise what they have read, predicting what might happen next or discussing the meaning of words in the text. Children have Reading Scrapbooks where they can show evidence of what they have been reading, this could be a photo, a comment or an illustration.

*Reading for pleasure is the single biggest indicator of a child's future success.*

## Times Tables

By the end of this year, children are expected to know all of their times tables (up to 12 x 12)! As this is a lot to learn, we ask for your help with practising these at home. Don't forget that children have access to Times Table Rockstars too- we ask that you try and log onto this weekly to work on improving the speed of your mental recall. Each week, a medal will be given in Family Worship to the child in each class who has scored the most points on Times Table Rockstars.

## PE and Outdoor Learning

Year 4 are lucky to be continuing our Outdoor Learning activities this term as well as their PE lessons. Children will be expected to wear their PE kits for both the days they have PE and Outdoor Learning sessions. On these days, children who wear earrings should either remove these or have them taped.

Year 4 P.E. days will be on a two week rota.

Please see below for the PE and Outdoor Learning days:

### Magpie

Week 1 - Monday (Outdoor Learning) and Tuesday (P.E.)

Week 2 - Tuesday and Wednesday (P.E.)

### Nightingale

Week 1 - Tuesday and Thursday (P.E.)

Week 2 - Monday (Outdoor Learning) and Tuesday (P.E.)

## Uniform

Please ensure your child is wearing the correct uniform, including appropriate school shoes (not black trainers). All uniform should be named to avoid things getting lost! If children are wearing earrings, these must be small studs and they should be able to remove them for P.E (from January 2024 children will not be permitted to tape earrings)

Please note that children should not be wearing make-up or nail varnish to school.

## Medication

If your child needs medication to be administered during school times, please collect a form from the office and return this form to the office along with the medication.

Please do not send medication in directly to your child's class teacher.

We are so excited for the term ahead with you all!

Let's all work hard and fly high ☺

Ms Carlier and Miss Miskin

