

To Prime Parents of: 

 EMAIL

YEAR 4 CLASS NEWSLETTER

Spring Term 2024



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, Year Four will continue to be supported by Mrs Illman every day. The class will also still be taught by Miss Parsons and our PE coaches on a Wednesday afternoon.

We are lucky to continue having PE lessons taught twice a week. For Year Four, these lessons will continue to be on **Wednesday** and **Thursday** afternoon. On these days, please can children be sent into school wearing their full PE kit. This should be 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 at the start of the half term and will contain a mixture of the statutory spellings and words that contain the spelling rules the children will learn throughout the term. 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.

It has come to our attention that more and more children have access to the internet independently at home. There has been a particular increase in children watching YouTube. Without supervision, it is possible to view very inappropriate content on this site. Please refer to the Safeguarding and Online Safety pages on our website should you require support or guidance with this matter.

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,

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