



A note from the teacher

The autumn term was very successful with all of the children settling well into Year 4 and showing a sensible and enthusiastic attitude to learning. I hope this continues throughout the spring term. If you have any concerns or questions, please get in contact by making an appointment through the school office or via Class Dojo. Let's hope we have a great year! Mrs Kirkwood



PE

Our PE lessons take place on Mondays and Fridays. PE kits should be left in school Monday-Friday to ensure your child has their kit for every session. Please make sure children are fully prepared for indoor or outdoor lessons depending on the weather.

Home learning

Here are some websites and apps you may wish to use at home:

<http://www.resources.woodlands-junior.kent.sch.uk/maths/>

<http://www.topmarks.co.uk>

<http://www.mathsframe.co.uk/>

<http://www.crickweb.co.uk/ks2numeracy.html>

Apps

- Mind Over Monster (Grammar)
- My Grammar Lab (Grammar)
- Grammar Jammers Primary (Grammar)
- MiniMod Reading for Details (Reading)
- QuestionBuilder (Reading)
- StoryPals (Reading)
- Spell Board (Spelling)
- Spelling Mastery (Spelling)

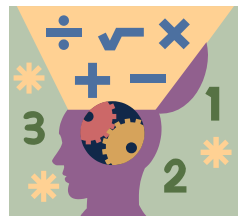
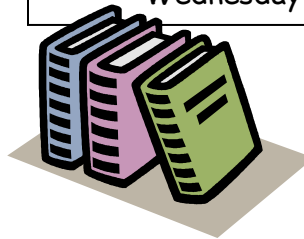
Maths and English homework will usually be set on Fridays and should be returned by the following Friday at the latest. Spelling homework may also be given as part of English.

We are continuing to use Times Tables Rockstars in school and at home to help prepare children for the online multiplication tables check for Y4 pupils. Login details will be sent out again for this. The national curriculum specifies that pupils should be taught to recall the multiplication tables up to and including 12 x 12 by the end of year 4 so please support the children with this.

Year 4 Newsletter

Diary dates

- Active Maths sessions - Wednesday afternoons during spring 1
- Team Up sessions - Friday mornings during spring 1
- Fair Trade fortnight - wb Monday 24th February
- Book week - wb Monday 2nd March
- Y4 Class trip to Arbeia Roman Fort - Wednesday 4th March



Important reminders

Remember to have your Accelerated Reading book in school every day and write a comment/signature in your reading log at least 3 times per week. Dojo points will be given for children who have more than 3 comments in their reading record. We are continuing to use Class Dojo to reward children, share photos and give updates on class activities. New login details are available for all parents. Please contact Mrs Kirkwood if you have any issues with registering or accessing your account.

This term's topics

This term, our history learning will be based on the topic 'What was daily life like for the Romans?' where the children will continue to have the opportunity to study the history of this period. Also, we will be learning about the geography of Italy, as well as finding out more about living things and their habitats in science. In English, we are going to be reading *Journey to Jo'burg* by Beverley Naidoo and we will be further developing our music skills in weekly guitar lessons.