



Happy New Year!

Welcome back to the start of our Spring term! We hope you have all had a lovely Christmas break and are ready for the challenges ahead this term. If you have any concerns or questions, please get in touch by making an appointment through the school office or via Class Dojo. Let's hope we have a great term!

Mrs Kirkwood and Mr Cornish.

Believe, Achieve, Soar with Pride

Important reminders

Remember to have your book bags containing your reading record and reading book in school every day. We expect children to read at home and for an adult to comment/sign the reading record **at least 3 times per week**. Dojo points will be given for children who have more than 3 comments in their reading record. Children should also try to access **Reading Plus** at home as another way of developing fluency and comprehension skills. For any child who struggles to keep up with reading at home, they can make use of library sessions at lunchtime or homework club to do this.

Children should bring a **labelled** water bottle each day but toys or other personal belongings are not required.

We are continuing to use Class Dojo to reward children, share photos and give updates on class activities.

Y4 Multiplication Tables Check

Daily morning starters, Times Tables Rockstars and other strategies will continue to be used in school and encouraged to be used at home where possible to help prepare children for the online multiplication tables check for Y4 pupils which will be carried out in the summer term.

MTC preparation schedule on TTRS for this term is:

Jan/Feb: 3 Soundcheck games and 18 minutes playing Garage games per week.

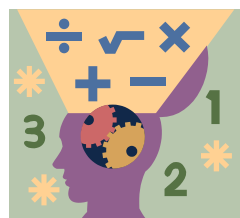
March: 5 Soundcheck games and 16 minutes playing Garage games per week.

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School uniform

Children must come into school wearing the correct uniform. This includes a **red** polo shirt, **black or grey** trousers/skirt, a **navy** jumper/cardigan and **black** shoes. Tracksuits and leggings are not permitted.

Please ensure children don't bring toys to school or anything that might distract them or others from their learning.



PE

Our PE lessons take place on **Wednesdays** and **Thursdays (swimming)**. PE kits should be left in school Monday-Friday to ensure your child has their kit for every session (red T-shirt and black or navy blue shorts/jogging trousers). Please make sure children are fully prepared for indoor or outdoor lessons depending on the weather.

Jewellery cannot be worn during PE sessions so please remove earrings from children on these days if they cannot take them out themselves. Thank you!

Home learning

Children will continue to learn about spelling rules, times tables and other key maths facts. They will get regular homework to help them develop their knowledge in these areas. In order to extend their learning at home, please encourage children to access Reading Plus and Times Tables Rockstars on a regular basis. Login details are in the children's reading records.

This term's topics

Science - Electricity and Living things and their habitats

History - The Anglo-Saxons (Post-Roman Britain)

Geography - Italy

Art and design - Painting (tertiary colours and texture)

Design and Technology - Torch (Electrical Systems)

RE - What do Christians believe about Jesus? Why is Lent such an important period for Christians?

Computing - Online Safety

Languages (French) - My Family