



St. Peter's C of E Junior School

Year 4 NEWSLETTER

9th September 2021



Welcome to Year 4!

We would like to welcome you all back to school. It is so nice to see everyone's smiling faces. We are really looking forward to having lots of fun activities this term and doing some great learning.

What are we learning in Year 4?

- **Maths** - Number and Place Value. We will be learning to identify and represent numbers up to 10,000 (ten thousand) in lots of different ways. We will be exploring negative numbers and rounding numbers to the nearest 10 and 100. After we have finished place value, we will be going on to look at addition and subtraction, multiplication and division and measuring length and calculating perimeter.
- **English** - We are doing our Writing and Whole Class Reading from the same book 'Macavity - The Mystery Cat'. We will identify nouns, verbs and adjectives and use them to write a character description. After this, we will be looking at other poems and after half term, we will focus on Myths and Legends and we will be looking at the Odyssey.
- **Science** - Our science unit is 'The Human Body' and we will be looking at cells and how to keep them healthy. He will also be looking at teeth and digestion. We will be looking at how to keep our body healthy as well as vitamins and minerals.
- **Geography** - In Geography, we will be looking at how the world is split up by lines of longitude and latitude. We will be using ordnance survey maps to look at scale and grid references. After this, we will be exploring our local area and observe how Wisbech has changed over time.
- **Art** - We will be studying artists who use light and replicating some of the techniques for shading.
- **R.E.** - We will look at how Christians consider Jesus to be the saviour of the world and what it means to 'save' someone

P.E.

Year 4 P.E. will be on a Tuesday afternoon. Children need to come in a white shirt and black or dark blue shorts, trousers or skirt. This term we will also be swimming on Friday Morning. Robin class will receive a letter about this shortly, and Doves, **please make sure you return yours on Monday 13th** September.

Doves swimming dates: 17/09, 24/09, 01/10, 08/10

Robins swimming dates: 15/10, 22/10, 29/10, 05/11

Please bring a towel, swimming shorts (for boys) or a one piece swimsuit (for girls). Long cargo short and bikini style swimsuits are not permitted.



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TTRS, READING, DOODLE MATHS, NESSY, SPELLING SHED, HOMEWORK

TTRS - <https://play.ttrockstars.com/auth/school/student/39713> - We expect children to go on TTRS at least 3 times a week for a minimum of 10 minutes. If you have trouble getting online, we don't mind if it is done on paper.

Reading - We want to work really hard this year to build up our reading miles. Children will be bringing home AR books to read at home. We really want parents and children to be using the reading record as much as possible! It is a good place to write notes or messages. We have set up a reading reward chart for children. If your child reads 5 days in a week, they will get 1 star on their chart. If they read 7 days a week, they will get 2 stars on their chart. Once their chart is complete, children will be able to get a milkshake or a hot chocolate.

Doodle Maths - <https://www.doodlelearning.com/> - If your child uses Doodle Maths, we would like them to go on for at least 5-10 minutes per day.

Nessy - <https://www.nessy.com/uk/> - If your child uses Nessy, we would like them to go on for at least 10 minutes per day.

Spelling Shed - <https://www.spellingshed.com/en-gb/> - We will be giving out spellings on Fridays to learn at home and we will have our test on Thursdays

Homework - We will be doing Maths and English homework on Fridays via Google Classroom. I have invited all the children to join 'Doves and Robins 2021/22.'

IMPORTANT DATES FOR THE DIARY

29th September- MacMillian coffee morning. Mrs Brown will also be hosting a workshop on how to support your child at home. Hope to see you all there!