

How will we assess your child?

All year 4 children will undertake a computerised national test on their ability to recall multiplication facts from timetables up to and including the 12 x table. In other areas of learning, we will closely monitor the progress of your child using a selection of assessment materials over the course of the academic year.



Cloakrooms, Bags and Belongings

Hedgehogs and Robins will be sharing lockers and a cloakroom and they will be directed to their allocated space on the first day in school.

The school logo rucksacks are ample in size for KS2 . We ask you to keep all bags to this size as space is limited. The children will also have a tray in the classroom for their reading book etc.

Equipment

School provides all equipment necessary for learning and so we ask that children limit what they bring in. If personal equipment is brought into school, we cannot take responsibility for lost items and so request it be 'at owner's risk'. Your child will require PE kit (PE takes place twice a week- the days may change every half term), reading book, home contact/ reading record book and homework book in school every day.



Please bring a named drink bottle of water to top up during the day and a healthy snack for break time.



We hope that this booklet has provided you with the information you need to know. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

We look forward to a successful partnership between home and school.

Keep looking on the school website for further information.

Welcome to Year 4



Mrs Clarkson— Hedgehogs



Miss Gries—Robins



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We will have two Year 4 classes next year: Hedgehogs Class with Mrs Clarkson and Robins Class with Miss Gries .

We are really looking forward to welcoming your child to their new class in September. By producing this booklet as well as developing our class webpage ,we hope to remove or reduce any anxiety that may have started to build up over the extended period away from school. Over the forthcoming weeks we will be liaising closely with the current Y3 teachers to ensure that the children moving from Y3 into Y4 have a settled transition

Keeping in Touch

The children will be allocated a combined reading record/home contact book. If there is a message in it, please ask your child to bring it to our attention as the book will not be checked every day. Emailing school is a good way of ensuring messages get to us. You can also use the Seesaw app.

School Day Arrival & Collection

This year, Y4 will enter school via **Door C** in the mornings. In KS2, we encourage the children to become more independent and therefore expect them to enter school on their own. The children in Y4 will be handed over from **Door D** at 3.15pm.

If you have any changes to school collection details, please note these in your child's home contact book for your child's teacher to see.

School lunches, trips, clubs and events should be paid for online via school money (speak to the school office with any queries):

www.schoolmoney.co.uk



Learning

Our overarching Autumn Term theme in Y4 will be 'Volts & Vibrations' (electricity & sound).

All the children will have home logons to Seesaw, Times tables Rockstars, Bug Club and Purple Mash.

Homework

As in Y3, English and Maths homework will be given on alternate weeks. Please remind your child to ask us before the homework is due in if they are unsure of how to approach the task! The expectation is also that children read for 10 minutes daily, and practise spellings and times tables up to 12x if they are not secure. Work at home to support the embedding of multiplication facts is crucial as all the Y4 children will participate in the National Times Table Test next summer. Times Tables Rockstars is a great resource to support this.

Spellings will be given each Friday and tested the following Thursday. As in Y3, the children will need to write a sentence to show each spelling in context. These are marked and returned ready for Friday with the new spellings.



Reading

Please continue to share books with your child—take turns, read extracts, discuss the story and characters, it really is one of the most helpful things you can do. Sometimes it can seem tricky to choose a book that you enjoy reading, if this is a problem for your child you could use the BookTrust Book Finder website (www.booktrust.org.uk/books/bookfinder) or talk to us at school. Please encourage your child to respond to their reading in their reading record; guidance will be given on the front page. We will be running another reading challenge next year so please remember to initial the challenge sheet each time your child reads. In KS2, children are expected to be responsible for changing their own reading book within their allocated book band.

Celebrating Success

We follow the whole school English Champion, Maths Champion and Star of the Week systems. These certificates are usually issued in assembly on a Friday. We also run our own in-class reward systems.