



We are delighted to have the children back in class. We have been so impressed with their enthusiasm towards returning to school and how quickly they have settled.

Now that we are back into classroom teaching, we felt it would be helpful to give you information for our weekly routines.

Reading book Change

Please send in your child's school reading book (if it needs changing) every Monday so that they can select a new book.

Communication

Please continue to use the Year 4 email address to communicate with us about your child. We will check it daily for urgent issues such as changes to child collection from school, and we will endeavour to acknowledge or respond to other matters within 48 hours. Please use the school admin email for any correspondence regarding school absences, appointments etc.

Spellings

A spelling test schedule is being posted again on google classroom for the half term and your child was given a paper copy last week. Please note the test dated 02/04 will be tested on Thursday the 1st of April. The test dates are above each column. The children will be tested every Friday.

Twiggy Tuesday

Year 4 have a forest school session every **Tuesday**. Please send your child in to school in full length appropriate trousers, waterproof coat and wellies (the latter of which can be left in school)

PE

We have PE on **Mondays and Thursdays**. Until the weather warms up, please send your child in PE kit with joggers rather than shorts. Earrings should be removed.

Curriculum News

Topics

This half term our Topic is Rotten Romans.

ENGLISH: We will continue reading 'Secrets of a Sun King' and using this in our Guided Reading sessions. If you haven't already, please send in your child's copy if you purchased one. If you didn't we can share copies in school.

HISTORY: We will be finding out about The Roman Way of life/ Key figures /The spread of the Roman Empire.

SCIENCE: We are studying 'Animals including Humans'.

MATHEMATICS: Year 4 children were due to take a national times tables test. The Government expectation is that all children know their times tables up to X12 by the end of Year 4. We will continue to work hard to learn them as these will help in all areas of maths. Your support with learning them is greatly appreciated. Other Maths work will include number and place value, addition and subtraction methods and multiplication and division of different numbers. Within each lesson, children will also be developing their reasoning skills, trying to explain how and why they got their answers using maths.

GEOGRAPHY: In geography we will be looking at key locations in Roman Britain and across the world where significant events are that link to our topic. We will also be developing our map work skills linked to positional directions.

ART/DT: Our art and design work will be linked to our topic focussing on using a range of materials. We will focus on the use of colour/tone, patterns and textures. It is ideal if the children can keep a painting apron in school.

ICT: We will develop key skills in a range of subjects using Chrome Books.

Thank you for your continued support.

Kind regards

Mrs Gallagher and Mrs Swan