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Year 4 Newsletter

Autumn Term 2024

Welcome to Year 4

Welcome back. The children have settled quickly and are working well. The purpose of this letter is to inform you of events that are happening over the next term.

School Uniform

The children should wear a uniform as stated in the school policy. Part of this uniform is school shoes. Training shoes are not suitable for school and jewellery should not be worn (other than watches) to school. Please make sure all of your child's clothes are labelled with their name. It's amazing how many jumpers and cardigans are misplaced.

Book Bags & Reading

The children are expected to have a book bag in school every day. If they no longer have one, they can be purchased at the office for £5.00. No other bag is suitable for keeping reading books, homework diaries and homework folders in as they are used throughout the day in class and other bags cause storage problems.

The children are expected to read at home each night. We would greatly appreciate it if you would support their reading by listening to them, commenting as appropriate in their homework diary or graduate journal and signing the diary each night to say they have read with you. It is always extremely useful to receive feedback on your child's reading at home allowing us all to work in partnership.

Music

As is tradition in Year 4, the Sefton Schools Music Service will be working with the class for the whole academic year, teaching all of the children to play a

brass instrument. They will learn to play either a trumpet, a baritone or a trombone. Lessons will take place on a Monday afternoon and started this week.

P.E.

During the autumn term, the children will have PE & Games on a Monday afternoon. They will need their school P.E. kit (including pumps) in school for each of these sessions.

Times Tables

The children will also receive times tables sheets on a daily basis to be completed each night and then returned to school. We will spend two weeks on each of the tables and they will be required to learn both the multiplication and related division facts. Tables tests will take place on a Friday.

Spellings

New spelling lists will be given on a Monday and will be tested in class on a Friday. The children will receive a spelling sheet every night with which to practise. This should be completed using the tested LOOK, SAY, COPY, COVER, SPELL, CHECK method.

Homework

The children will receive English homework and maths homework when appropriate. Each piece will be expected to be completed for the next school day. Once again we would be grateful if you would initial their homework diary on completion of the work and comment as required. We would prefer if children would complete their homework in pencil. All homework will be recorded in their homework diary.

Dates for Your Diary: Autumn 1

Wednesday 11th September: School Council Elections

Friday 13th September: Mass for feast of SRB

Tuesday 24th September: class trip to Martin Mere

Friday 4th October: Macmillan Coffee Morning

Monday 9th October: Online safety meeting for parents (3pm)

Friday 11th October: Non-uniform day (unwanted gifts)

Monday 21st October: Pupil progress meeting (12:30-5:30pm)

Friday 25th October: Non-uniform day (wearing red or blue to say **NO to racism**)

Friday 25th October: School closes for half-term (3pm)

Dates for Your Diary: Autumn 2

Monday 4th November: Friendship Week

Monday 11th November: school photographer

Friday 15th November: Children in Need (pyjama day)

Friday 22nd November: Y4 Friendship assembly

Friday 29th November: non-uniform day (chocolates)

Tuesday 3rd December: First Reconciliation 1:15 pm (tbc)

Friday 6th December: non-uniform day (bottles)

Friday 13th December: Xmas Fayre (1:15 pm)

Tuesday 17th December: Advent Service 7pm (tbc)

Thursday 19th December: Xmas jumper day

Friday 20th December: Xmas disco

Friday 20th December: Term finishes @ 1:30pm

***Please note:** some dates may be subject to change