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Dear Parents,

We hope that you and your families have a wonderful summer break, and we are looking forward to welcoming your children into year 4 on Tuesday, 5th September. Please see **curriculum map** for more information on what your children will be learning.

Year Four Staff:

We would like to take this opportunity to introduce the staff working in Year 4 this year:

Class Teachers: Ms Dimech (4 Tolkien) and Mrs Taneja (4 Rowling)

Learning Support Staff: Mrs Davies and Mrs Fisher

RE

In RE we will be following the RE scheme of work called 'Come and See'. The first two topics this term are 'Family' which looks at the family of Jesus and 'Belonging' which looks at the sacraments of baptism and confirmation.

PE and Music

Music and P.E sessions will take place on a Monday morning. Next year, we will continue to wear PE kits into school for the entire day on a Monday.

For one half term, the children will also have an additional PE lesson on Tuesday afternoons. Therefore, after the Easter holiday until May half term, children are to wear their PE kits on Tuesdays also.

Please remember that no jewellery is to be worn on these days as recommended in the Surrey Guidelines. Full PE kit is also expected which includes: St Anne's white t-shirt, green shorts/jogging bottoms or the new St Anne's tracksuit. Both are to be worn with white socks and plimsolls or trainers. Please also ensure that hair is tied back. It is imperative that your child wears the correct kit to school to ensure they are able to access lessons. Finally, it is recommended that all children have a named bottle of water to maintain hydration.

Reading Books:

The children will do a Star Reading Test which will assign them a reading level. Children will also be given a log in for myOn which will enable them to read books online, as well as completing quizzes.

Reading is an essential part of learning and it is of paramount importance that **every child, reads aloud every night at home, and answers comprehension questions and completes the quizzes on Accelerated Reader.**

Your child's reading book and diary should be in school every day and books should be changed regularly. Please sign your child's record weekly.

Homework:

Homework will be issued on a **Friday**. Homework for the week needs to be completed by the following **Thursday**.

We expect the children to:

- read daily for **20 minutes**. Reading diaries must be completed daily. Adult to sign diary at least once a week.

- practise times tables on Times Table Rockstars daily for **10 minutes**.
- learn their spelling on Spelling Shed daily for **10 minutes**.

As you may be aware, the children will be required to participate in a national times tables test in June 2024, so it is very important that they are fluent. Using Times Tables Rock stars will benefit your child greatly because the test that they have to do later on in the year is online. Please let us know if they are unable to access this invaluable online resource at home. More importantly, knowing their times tables well helps the children to access all their learning in Maths. Children will be given a Wellbeing Reading diary. They need to record their daily reading and Maths activity in this book.

We appreciate that there may be occasions when it is not possible for your child to complete homework tasks in the given time. If this is the case, please write us a quick note. We attach a copy of the Year 3 and 4 spelling list for your information and for continued practice over the summer holidays. These will be tested when the term commences and throughout the year.

Meet the Teacher Evening:

On **Monday 11th September 2023**, there will be a **Meet the Teacher** presentation at **5.00pm**, which we hope you will be able to attend to find out in more detail what your children will be learning about this year. Individual parent/teacher consultations will take place later in the year.

School Trips, Workshops and other diary dates for the autumn term:

- Meet the Teacher – Monday 11th September 5pm
- Haslemere Museum Visit – Wednesday 27th September
- Egyptian Dress up day – Wednesday 4th October
- Anti-Bullying Week - Monday 13th to Friday 17th November
- KS2 Parents Evening week beginning 6th November
- Christmas Assembly: Monday 18th December 1.30pm – Church

On occasions during the year (class reward days, ends of term etc.) we allow the children to watch a film in class. These are normally restricted to U rated films only. However, these are becoming increasingly scarce. If you have no objection, we could extend the choice to include PG films. Please complete and return the slip below if you do not want your child to watch a PG film.

Finally, please do not hesitate to contact us if you need to discuss anything. We look forward to an exciting school year.

Yours sincerely,

Ms. L.Dimech and Mrs S.Taneja

I give my son/daughter permission to participate in local visits.

Child's name _____

Signed _____

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I would prefer my son/daughter **not** to watch PG rated films.

