

# YEAR 4 NEWSLETTER - Summer Term!

I'm sure many of you feel the same, that the year has flown by! I really can't believe it is the Summer Term already. I hope that you all had a wonderful break over Easter. It has been lovely to see the children return and hear about their holiday adventures.

Below I have set out some of the usual reminders about routines etc. The topic Maps and Curriculum booklets will also be with shortly. These will hopefully give you a more detailed outline of the Year 4 curriculum and school procedures and policy.

**WATER AND HATS** - You will all be used to it of course, but I am quite surprised by how much hotter it is already. It is also important for the children to have hats at school **EVERYDAY**. Apart from general protection needed, they need one to be allowed to play on 'The Beast' - it would be a shame for them to miss out. Please also ensure your child has plenty of water, especially on PE days.

**SNACKS and LUNCHESES** - Every child should bring a healthy snack/lunch to school each day. Hot meals are available from Crusts Bakery and need to be ordered in advance.

**UNIFORM** - Children must wear appropriate school and PE uniforms, including a hat and sensible shoes - closed toes shoes are necessary for play on The Beast). No jewellery to be worn please.

**PE** - PE days are still Tuesday and Thursday. Children should come to school on those days in their PE kits, **with their uniform to change in to afterwards**. Some children still repeatedly come to school without a change of clothes, as it gets hotter it is important that they have fresh clothes to change in to. The class will be doing Orienteering & Team Building and Tag Rugby first and then moving on to Swimming and Dance later in the term. Further details about Swimming will be sent out in the coming weeks.

As in the previous terms, Miss Cara will be teaching Spanish and Mrs. Yorka will be teaching Art and Science and Spanish conversation. Miss Niki will be teaching Music and Arts and Theatre together with Ms. Alison, and then will teach Dance,

I wanted to thank you all for supporting your children with their Rome projects. The work they did was varied and such a treat to see and share! I know it can be a pressure to fit this extra work in to our busy lives, but the results were wonderful.

I hope you all got the message I sent through Mrs. Lakhani, and the card I put up outside our room.... But I wanted to thank you all again for the Teacher Appreciation Day! Such a lovely idea and your gift was very generous, I am still very touched - **THANK YOU ALL.**

Curriculum and Topic information:

**Topics this term:** First Flamingo Class will be busy completing our Ancient Rome topic as well as enjoying the school's *Iguana Week* focus.

Afterwards, we will be turning our attention a little closer to home. The first half of our TCI topic will have a Science focus as we look at local habitats, food chains and impact of environmental destruction on wildlife. We will also be thinking about how people on the island work to preserve the historical, cultural and environmental heritage of the country. In the second half, we will think about the people who live and work on the islands. We will investigate how people make their livings and ask how businesses can ensure their work does not have a negative impact on local environments. Children will design and plan their own island businesses

Educational Visits:

We will be undertaking off-site visits to support our learning this term. I will notify you of the details as soon as possible. As always with these trips, parental support and assistance with transport if necessary would be greatly appreciated.

|          | 8.15-8:55       | 8:55– 9:55                        |                     |               | 10:25 – 11:25   | 11:30 – 12:30  |       | 1:15 – 2:05  | 2:05 – 3:00                          |
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| <b>M</b> | Spelling        | Literacy<br>Reading Comprehension |                     | Morning Break | Numeracy  | Topic<br>(Science, Art & Design, Social Studies, RE) | Lunch | Guided Reading<br>(+ Tablets)                          | Topic/Science<br>(+ Tablets)         |
| <b>T</b> | PE              |                                   | Handwriting         |               | Literacy<br>Creative writing                                | Numeracy   |       | Spelling<br>Literacy                                   | Topic/Science                        |
| <b>W</b> | KS2 Assembly    | Guided Reading                    |                     |               | Numeracy  | Literacy<br>Grammar<br>(+ Tablets)                   |       | Spanish<br>(Miss Cara)                                 | Theatre<br>Arts/Music<br>(Mrs. Niki) |
| <b>T</b> | PE              |                                   | Guided Reading      |               | Numeracy  | Literacy<br>Creative writing                         |       | Topic<br>(Art & Design /D.T./Computing)<br>(+ Laptops) |                                      |
| <b>F</b> | Mental<br>Maths | Guided Reading                    | Show<br>and<br>Tell |               | Topic / Science<br>/ Computing<br>(+ Laptops)<br>Mrs. Yorke | Literacy<br>/Spanish<br>Mrs. Yorke                   |       | Celebration<br>Assembly<br>Mrs. Yorke                  | Golden Time<br>Mrs. Yorke            |

If you have any questions or concerns at all, please do come and see me for a chat, or even just to say hello!

Thank you.

Mrs. Indira