

**ANSON CE (A) PRIMARY SCHOOL**

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 Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome to a brand new school year! We hope you have had a fantastic summer! We are really looking forward to having the children back in school and we hope they are too! We have lots of exciting learning planned for this half term for our topic Awesome America. We will voyage across the Atlantic and discover the continents of North and South America and all their amazing countries, cities and landscapes. You can see details of all of the exciting learning we will be doing in the curriculum web attached to this letter.

**Reminders:**

**Walking home from school:** If you would like your child to be a ‘Wild Walker’, please write a note in their diary confirming your permission and giving the days that they will be walking home alone on.

**Spellings:** Class 4 spellings will be given out on a Tuesday and are tested on the following Tuesday. Your child’s spelling lists are now uploaded on our school website and on the Spelling Shed app weekly so please encourage your child to practise at home, both verbally and in written form as well as through the fun games available on the Spelling Shed app. Your child’s spelling score will be recorded weekly in their homework diary. Please encourage your child to practice these spellings as knowing them will really help them succeed. If you would like to support your child further, you will find a list of words that the children are expected to know by the end of Year 6 in the back of the reading diaries.

**Homework Diaries:** Homework diaries are checked on a Friday in class 4 but should be in school daily. Please use the diaries to record your child’s reading at home and please sign the diary weekly. If you choose to use the diary as a form of communication, please encourage your child to show the teacher the message to ensure it is seen.

**Homework:** Please check the ‘Homework’ section of the school website on a Friday to find your child’s homework tasks for that week.

**Open Door Policy:** Please do not hesitate to contact me at school if you have any concerns, the open door policy at Anson means I am available for 15 minutes before or after school to talk through any problems. If you need longer, we can arrange a mutually agreeable time.

**Uniform**: Please ensure that all uniform including jumpers are clearly labelled with your child’s name. Ties are expected to be worn with shirts – alternatively polo shirts can be worn. Please ensure clothing has the Anson logo.

**Water bottles**: Each child should have a water bottle in school that is clearly named. The children can have a drink from these at any time throughout the school day.

**PE:** Please ensure that your child has an Anson PE top in their house colour, PE shorts and appropriate footwear. PE will be on a **Monday and Friday** so please make sure that your child brings in their kit at the beginning of the week.

Can you also ensure that you read, complete and sign the permission forms on **pages 5, 6 and 7** in your child’s homework diary.

Kind Regards,

Miss Spennewyn, Mrs Castell, Mrs Chell and Miss Roper

Class 4’s Teacher and Teaching Assistants



Numeracy:

In Numeracy, we will be focusing on a variety of mathematical areas, such as: place value; addition; subtraction; multiplication and division.

Science:

We will be learning all about how light behaves before following in Neil Armstrong’s footsteps as we learn all about Earth and Space.

Art and Design:

We will be looking at the artists Andy Warhol & Roy Lichtenstein and creating our own work based on their style!

Literacy:

We will be working on a range of fiction and non-fiction texts such as persuasive writing, poetry and mystery stories. We will also be writing a recount of our exciting experience at Standon Bowers!

Geography:

We will voyage across the Atlantic and discover the continents of North and South America and all their amazing countries, cities and landscapes. The class will identify the 23 countries of North America, from the vast lands of the USA and Canada down through Central America and on to the Caribbean islands. On the way they will explore the various geographical features of different areas of North and South America and compare them with their own locality.

Computing:

In Computing, we will be looking at developing our coding skills, whilst also learning about how to stay safe online in our E-safety lessons.

French:

Madame Eliot will continue to deliver exciting and engaging French lessons!

Religious Education:

God – What does it mean if God is holy and loving?

P.E

Health Related Exercise and Handball

Music

Miss Lambert will continue to deliver high quality and exciting Music lessons!