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Dear Parents/ Carers

I hope you all enjoyed a restful Christmas and New Year. As a Class 4 team we would like to thank you for the gifts that we received at the end of term. This term our quest title is 'Wonderful Water!' details of the learning are attached in the quest overview.

Homework

Thank-you for the support and encouragement you give your child in completing their homework. We do not set very much homework and what we set is in accordance with the school's homework policy. I understand that from time-to-time circumstances arise that make it difficult for a child to complete their homework. Do please drop me an email if this is the case.

Class 4 homework will continue:

- Regular reading, four times a week to an adult – please don't forget to sign your child's reading record as you go rather than at the end of the week as it helps us when we listen to children read in school. The reading records are checked on a Monday morning.
- Spellings are set each week on a Friday for a test the following Friday.
- A maths activity, usually on MyMaths – set on a Tuesday for the following Tuesday. This should take a maximum of 20 minutes.

Reading

We want to encourage as much reading for pleasure as we can and we allow opportunities throughout the week for all the children to enjoy the books we have in the classroom. In class four more children move onto choose their own books to read at home, whether that is from the lime/white reading shelves in the library or books for home, school or public libraries. We do our best to support children with their reading in school and ask that the reading record books are in school each day. We move the children on in their books when they are reading fluently and understanding the texts well. As the children become more independent with choosing their books we ask for your support in monitoring their reading. Are they enjoying the books chosen? Can they read most of the words (over 95%) Are they able to talk about what they have read? Are they reading a variety of books? There are some great reading prompts in the reading records. Reading with your child really is one of the best things you can do to support your child's learning.



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PE

PE will continue on a Wednesday and Friday this term. Please ensure PE kits are in on these days. Premier Sports will be delivering two further enrichment afternoons for year 4 this term on Wednesday 21st February and Wednesday 20th March.

Coming up this term we have a Year 4 Sports Festival at Blackbrook Pavilions on Monday 5th February. Our next forest school session will be Wednesday 7th February.

Music

This term Somerset Music will be delivering weekly ukelele lessons on a Monday. We are giving the children the opportunity to take their instrument home to practise and a permission letter will be going out shortly regarding this. A letter will also be coming out later this term about a planned educational visit on Thursday 25th April. This will be an extended day with the children returning to school shortly after 5pm.

Kind regards

Lydia Laphorn



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