Friday 5th September 2025

Dear Year 4 Parents and Carers,

I hope you have had a lovely, relaxing summer and your child has enjoyed returning to school this week. It has been a pleasure to meet the children so far, and I am excited for a year filled with fun and learning.

I am pleased to inform you that I will be teaching the class full-time, apart from Wednesday afternoons when Mrs Winder will teach PSHE and Computing to cover PPA. Our class will also benefit from the support of Miss Barnes and Miss Lockett, who will assist in various ways within the classroom.

By the end of Year 4, children are expected to know all their times tables up to 12x and the corresponding division facts. In the Summer Term, each child will partake in an online national times tables test, which involves answering 25 randomly selected questions within a time limit of six seconds per question. We will send the results home to parents at the end of the year. To support their learning, your child will need to practice their times tables and related division facts regularly, both at home and in school.

Each child will receive a reading book to take home, which we encourage them to read daily. When you listen to them read, please record a comment in their reading record. The children can bring their records into school for checks, and in recognition of their efforts, we will award Karate Reading Challenge bands as they progress. Spellings will be set on a Monday and tested the following Monday. They will be stuck into your child's book to be brought home, and I will also email them out as a digital copy.

PE lessons will be held on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Please ensure that your child comes to school each day wearing appropriate active uniform as without it, they unfortunately will not be able to participate in P.E. classes. Additionally, in line with the Lancashire policy, no earrings are permitted in school. If your child has recently had their ears pierced and the six-week period for removal is not yet complete, they must cover them with tape, though they will still not be allowed to be involved in P.E. lessons until the earrings can be removed.

I have loved teaching Year 4 so far this week and I am eager to see what the year will bring. I am sure your child will grow academically, socially and emotionally throughout the year. Should you have any queries or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Kind regards,

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