



Dear parents and carers,

Welcome back to school and to Year 4! I am looking forward to getting to know your children this year and you as well. Please see below information about our class and curriculum this half term. Our PE days this half term are **Wednesday** and **Thursday**. Please ensure your child comes to school in the correct PE kit on these days (details below). If there is anything I can do to support you with helping your child at home, please do let me know. ☺

Mr Penberthy

School Uniform

- Lemon yellow polo shirt
- Jade green jumper or cardigan (with or without the school logo)
- Grey trousers, skirt, shorts or pinafore
- Black shoes or trainers
- Yellow summer dress

PE Kit

- White t-shirt
- Black or navy leggings, shorts, jogging bottoms (no branded logos)
- Trainers
- Black or navy hoody for outdoor PE
(school jumper to be worn during the day)

The School Day

8:50am - children should be on the main playground where teachers will come and meet them

8:55am – school day starts at 8:55am

3:25pm – school day ends

Drop Off and Pick Up

Drop Off: Main Playground

Pick Up: Yellow door near main entrance / nursery

Attendance and Punctuality

Children should be ready to start school at 8:55am and they are marked as late if they arrive between 9am and 9:15am. Children arriving after 9:15am receive a 'late after registers have closed' mark which is classed as an unauthorised absence.

We aim for children to have at least 94% attendance – this gives them the best possible chance to learn as much as possible at school. When attendance drops below 90% it is classed as persistent absence.

Dates for Your Diary

September

Monday 1st – school closed for Training Day

Tuesday 2nd – school opens for Y1 to Y6

Tuesday 30th – Come and See Reading @9am

October

Wednesday 1st – Year 6 Topaz Class Worship

Thursday 2nd – School photos (individual, Reception and Year 6)

Wednesday 8th – Year 6 Amethyst Class Worship

Monday 13th to Monday 20th – Year 6 Bikeability

Thursday 23rd – Harvest Festival

EYFS and KS1 @ 9:15am and KS2 @ 2:30pm

Friday 24th – school closed for Training Day

November

Monday 3rd – school opens for Autumn Term 2

Homework

Times tables – children will be given times table weekly for them to learn. These will be tested in class.

Spellings – children will receive spellings to practice each week. These will be tested on Thursday mornings. Please support your child learning these.

Maths – children will have some arithmetic to practice at home. This will be due on Thursday.

Curriculum Information

English:

We will be reading and writing about "Varmints" by Helen Ward and Marc Craste. We will also be reading "Zombierella: Fairy Tales Gone Bad" by Joseph Coelho.

Maths:

We will be learning how to work with numbers up to 10,000 this half term. We will also be adding and subtracting with numbers up to 4 digits long.

RE:

Our topic this half term is "How and why do people mark significant events in life?"

Science:

We will be learning about Changes of State – we will look at solids, liquids and gases.

PSHE:

We will be learning about relationships and how to communicate your emotional needs.

Geography:

We will learn about rivers and the water cycle.

Design Technology:

We will be learning about building strong structures.

Computing:

We will learn about collaborative online documents.

Music:

Our topic is "body and tuned percussion".

PE:

Tag rugby and fundamentals.

French:

We will learn how to introduce ourselves in French.

How you can help at home with English:

Practice spellings daily

Read to your child

Listen to your child read

Encourage your child to read and write for pleasure

Ask your child to give more information so that they speak in full, descriptive sentences in conversation.

How you can help at home with maths:

Encourage children to practice their times tables daily

Encourage your child to complete their maths homework carefully

Ask your child what their key learning in maths was today

Help your child to see maths in the "real world" e.g. when shopping



Let your light shine before others that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven, Matthew 5:16

Aspiration – Courage – Kindness – Forgiveness – Respect – Community