

Welcome to Year 4

Comet Class

Dear Parents, welcome back to an exciting new term.

In Comet Class our learning is active and through creative and stimulating activities, we aim to challenge the children at every opportunity whilst encouraging them to develop their confidence. We support them to work collaboratively, sharing ideas wherever possible and learning through mistakes – in fact we celebrate them as a means to helping us learn!

We are encouraging children to become more independent with all aspects of school life; from remembering the correct resources each day; bringing in a water bottle daily; becoming good independent learners to bringing in letters and any monies in a named, sealed envelope to their teacher. Please support your child to develop their independence skills.

This term's Topic is – Ancient Egyptians

Please see the attached Medium Term Planning sheet, which provide you with an over view of the term's work we will be covering. Lots of exciting things including a trip to Harry Potter's World!

P.E. / Games and Outdoor Learning

In Comet Class, we have P.E. on **Wednesdays** and **Fridays**. Children are asked to come to school wearing the correct clothing on these days; they will also be responsible for removing jewellery and keeping it safe during P.E. lessons. For the first half term the class will have dance lessons on **Mondays** too, so can they please wear PE kits on **Mondays, Wednesdays** and **Fridays** for Autumn 1.

Forest Schools activities will be on **Mondays** – clothing needs to be brought in for children to change into.

Homework

As your child enters Year 4, their homework commitments and expectations will alter to reflect their growing maturity. The weekly homework timetable for Year 4 is as follows:

English -set on **Mondays** – to be handed in by **Thursdays**

Maths – set on **Thursdays** – to be handed in by **Mondays**

Topic – at least one topic task needs to be completed

Topic homework will consist of a topic grid which will have a variety of tasks related to the topic; children can choose any task. The work should be completed on A4 paper. They hand in the tasks once they are complete; they are expected to be completed independently, although some guidance may be needed.

Children are expected to read their school book or other media at least three times a week. Homework will also involve learning their spellings and spelling rules.

As with all homework, your support would be greatly appreciated as discussion and practise will help improve confidence.

Dates for your Diary

5th October - **Class trip to Harry Potter's World**

w/c 13th November **Parent Interviews**

17th November **Our Sharing assembly**

Meet and Greet –

Tuesday 12th September at 3.30pm

This is an opportunity to meet your child's teacher, Mrs Blackley to have a chat and see the various learning spaces the class will be working in during the coming year.

**Hopefully, this information will help you and your child settle into Year 4 quickly.
If you have any concerns at all, please do not hesitate to see me.**