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Year 4 Newsletter - Term 1

We are very pleased to be welcoming the pupils into Year 4 for the start of the new school year. We hope that you all had a relaxing and restful summer break.

Foundation Subjects

Our focus in Geography this term is 'Why do people live near volcanoes?'. We will be looking at how Earth is constructed, where mountains can be found, why and where do we get volcanoes, the effects of volcanic eruptions and earthquakes!

Science

For Science in Term 1 we will be looking at 'Animals: Digestion and Food'. We will explore the digestive systems of animals and how they obtain and process foods.

<u>Music</u> Music focus: Mama Mia (Singing)	<u>Computing</u> Presentations	<u>PE</u> Tuesday: Athletics Thursday: Handball
<u>P.S.H.E</u> Being me in my world (Jigsaw Scheme)	<u>R.E</u> Are all religions equal?	<u>French</u> Welcome to school

In literacy, we will be studying a text called 'The Great Kapok Tree'. We will explore formal letter writing and persuasive writing. The book is full of beautiful illustrations but we do ask that the children do not investigate this text further at home until we have covered it in class as it could spoil their experiences in class! Thank you

Term 1 - Dates for your diary

02.09.25: Start of our year 4 journey ☺
02.09.25: Club sign up opens at 3pm
08.09.25: Club sign up closes at 4pm
12.09.25: Club confirmations sent home
12.09.25: Attendance Awareness Day
15.09.25: Clubs start
1&2.10.25: Individual & sibling photographs
08.10.25: KS2 Family read (14:30 - 15:00)
14.10.25: PTA Disco (Y4,5,6 16:30 - 17:30)
16.10.25: Math workshop - parents / carers (14:00 - 14:00)
17.10.25: End of term 1

Home learning

Please continue to read as regularly as possible with your child to help support their progression in reading. Please continue to practise recall of multiplication facts using the Times Tables Rock stars (TTRS) website and the MTC practise website (Google search: URBrainy MTC). The Multiplication Tables Check is a government assessment conducted in June. Once sets have been established, we will inform you of home learning for spelling as the whole school is undertaking a new approach for this academic year.

General information

PE Kits

Year 4 PE days are on **TUESDAYS** and **THURSDAYS**. Children will need to wear their PE Kit into school on those days. This includes house PE t-shirt with school logo, **school jumper or hoody** with school logo, currently white shorts but changing to plain black shorts (in line with the Women's football campaign 'No more white shorts') or tracksuit bottoms in winter months and trainers. Please ensure all PE kit is named.

Healthy break time snacks

Please ensure children bring in a piece of fruit or healthy snack for break time to promote our healthy school ethos. Satsumas, apples and bananas are available to purchase at break time from the school canteen at 40p per item. Please respect that we are a **nut-free school** so we kindly request that you refrain from sending your child in with any snack containing nuts.

Uniform

A reminder to please **clearly label uniform** with names and classes to ensure it can be returned easily if misplaced.

Contact details

If you have any specific enquiries regarding your child in Year 4 then please feel free to contact your child's class teacher either by telephone or by using the Class Dojo website. Teachers will aim to respond to your enquiry as soon as possible. You can contact Mr Gillies (Year Group Manager) at y4manager@hampton.kent.sch.uk or by using the contact methods above too. You can contact Mrs Stephens (KS2 Deputy Head) at dhtks2@hampton.kent.sch.uk