

Year 4 Newsletter

Term 1
Autumn Newsletter



Meet the Year 4 staff at Colmers Farm Primary School

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Mrs. Young - Head of School
Miss Hooper - Teacher in 4HN
Miss Nazir - Teacher in 4HN
Miss Jennings - Teacher in 4J
Mrs. Jones - Teaching Assistant
Miss Kay - Teaching Assistant

Dear Parents/Carers,
Welcome to the first year group newsletter of Year 4. This newsletter contains information about your child's learning across the curriculum. If you have any questions we are here to help.

Year 4 Team.

For **4HN**, PE is every Tuesday. Please ensure your child arrives at school in their school PE kit—red t-shirt and black or navy bottoms. For all PE lessons, children need their hair tied up and any earrings removed.

PE for **4J** is swimming every Friday. Please ensure your child arrives at school in their full school uniform, with their swimming kit, their hair tied up and any earrings removed.

If your child can't remove their earrings, please let us know ASAP.

This will swap throughout the year, which you will be informed of in advance.

Multiplication Tables Check

In Year 4, all children in England take a multiplication tables check where they are tested on 25 different multiplication questions. Throughout the year, pupils will be given opportunities to practise their tables. Please support your child by encouraging them to keep practising them to improve their confidence.

SAGE Award

The children started their SAGE Award last year. We would love to see all children achieve their silver award by the end of the year, so if they have something at home they've achieved, please let us know.

Maths

- Count from 0 in multiples of 6,7,9,25 and 1000.
- Count backwards through 0 including negative numbers.
- Read and write numbers up to 10,000 in numerals and in words.
- Compare 4-digit numbers using <, > and =.
- Rounding numbers to the nearest 10,100 and 1000.
- Estimate calculations before calculating.
- Add and subtract 4-digit numbers
- Use bar models to represent problems.

English

- Consistently use joined handwriting that is neat and clear to read.
- Understand statements, commands, questions and exclamations.
- Use a range of conjunctions e.g. because, so, for, although, however, therefore.
- Use expanded noun phrases consistently.
- Spell many words correctly from the Year 3/4 list.
- Begin to use fronted adverbials with a comma.
- Use standard English in my writing and speech.

Reading

It is really important that the children are reading at home every day. You should ideally aim for at least 15 minutes every day. Children can read their assigned Accelerated Reader books, a book for pleasure, e-books on MyOn and any other books that they also enjoy too. Please try to read with your child regularly to help their progress. Remember that reading will help them with their writing too!

Important Dates

Wednesday 4th September 2024
First day back for children.

Tuesday 10th September 2024
First PE lesson for 4HN.

Friday 13th September 2024
First swimming session for 4J.

Wednesday 23rd and Thursday 24th October 2024
Parents' evening.

Friday 25th October 2024
Break up for half term.

Monday 4th November 2024
Teacher training day.

Tuesday 5th November 2024
Children return to school.

Friday 20th December 2024
Break up for Christmas break.

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Homework

Homework will be sent out weekly and needs to be returned on a Monday morning. The children will have a range of homework tasks over the year. Please make sure that homework tasks are completed in pencil and presented neatly. There will also be Mathematics, Spelling Shed and reading homework set that can all be accessed online. We will ensure that the children's logins are sent home when they are ready.


Curriculum Content

Art – Drawing and Sculpture
Computing – iSafe and iProgramme
Design & Technology – Textiles
English – Writing to Entertain
History and Geography – The Romans
Maths – Place Value, Addition and Subtraction
MFL (French) - Instruments and Pets
Music - Mamma Mia and Glockenspiels
Personal Development – Respectful Relationships
PE – Swimming and Football (alternating half terms)
Science – Electricity and Sound
Reading – The Queen of Darkness
RE – Christianity and Humanism

ATTENDANCE

Attendance at Colmers Farm Primary School is extremely important. Your child is our top priority and if they are to achieve their full potential they must be in school to learn. Our aim is above 96%.

Homework expectations for Year 4

KEY STAGE 2 - YEARS 3 AND 4						
	Reading	Grammar	Handwriting	Mathletics Online	Spelling Shed Online	History and Geography homework
Monday	Reading should take place at home daily (min 15 minutes per day) and accelerated reader should be completed			Can be used throughout the week, but a minimum of twice a week	Can be used throughout the week, but a minimum of once a week	Work from the knowledge organisers may be completed at any time.
Tuesday						
Wednesday			Homework given out			
Thursday						
Friday		Homework given out				

Please note that this is the minimum amount of homework given out each week. There may be occasions when your child receives additional homework to this.

Throughout the year, please also support your child to complete areas of their SAGE award. From time to time, we will send out some ideas of activities your child could do (with your support) to complete their award.

When you do have evidence for the SAGE award, please ensure you email it into school via the non-reply email addresses. These are:

4J = 4j@colmersfarm.excelsiormat.org
 4HN = 4hn@colmersfarm.excelsiormat.org

If you have any questions regarding the SAGE award, please get in touch with the Year 4 team.

Thank you for your support with this.