Welcome to Year 4!

Welcome back to Avenue Junior School! After a long and restful summer, it's been great to start working with the children again! A very warm welcome to some of our new starters too!

In these first few days, we have been really impressed by the children's efforts. They have settled in very well and have been quick to adapt to the new routines in Year 4, which is excellent news.

This short newsletter is to help bring you up to speed with some of the things going on at school at the start of the new year.

Please do also keep an eye on Class Dojo, as this is our primary means of communication.

Meet the Year 4 Team

We have a fantastic team in Year 4!

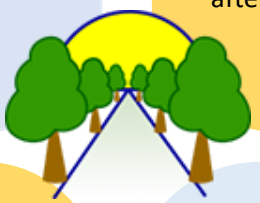
Miss Agnew (Year Lead) – 4A

Mr Genders and Mr Lowe – 4GL

Mr Ruddick – 4R

Miss Hook – 4H

Please do not hesitate to contact your child's teacher if you have any questions, queries or concerns. They are all available to reach via Class Dojo. Alternatively, you can have a quick chat with them on the playground after school.



PE Kit

Children are expected to wear a plain white, blue or black top (no football shirts) and black bottoms (shorts, leggings, jogging bottoms) for PE. Trainers are the best form of footwear as they provide children with good stability and support. Like last year, children should come to school on PE days dressed in their PE kits. On cooler days, children can of course wear a jumper or hoodie (plain blue, black or grey). A school jumper is ok!

Water Bottles and Snacks

Please ensure that all children have a named water bottle in school. Most children will also bring in a healthy snack (no crisps – these can be eaten at lunchtimes) for their morning break. All snacks must be nut and kiwi free, this is due to a number of serious allergies across the school.

Reading at Home

Whilst we do not set any formal homework at Avenue Junior School, we do ask that you spend 10-20 minutes each day reading with your child. The benefits of this are wide-ranging, impacting on not only reading ability (fluency and comprehension), but also spelling, sentence construction and generation of ideas.

Times Tables

We will be having a significant push on learning times tables this year. Children have been reissued with their Times Tables Rockstars (TTRS) usernames and passwords. Children should practice these regularly- we recommend at least 20 minutes a week. You can access TTRS using a full range of digital technology. If this may be a barrier to your child using TTRS, your child's teacher will be able to supply some paper copies of the activities.

Curriculum Map

A curriculum map will be sent out to all families (via Class Dojo, email and the school website). This will give you a brief overview of our learning for the half term.