



Welcome to Year 4

Ms Noonan, Miss Nicolaou and
Mrs Braniff

Who's who?

- Miss Nicolaou 4A and Ms Noonan 4N
- Our Year Group TA is Mrs Braniff
- Ms Bowan will teach the children PE, Miss Flatt will teach the children Music and Mrs Bettley will teach French.

Drop off and Pick up

The school day starts at 8:45am. There is a soft start to the day and the school gate is opened at 8:40am.

When the children arrive they start their SODA (Start of Day Activity) before lessons begin.

School finishes at 3.20pm. The school gate will be opened from 3pm and teachers will aim to have both classes at the gate by 3:20pm or before.

Lunch

Lunches

We use the 'Pupil Choice' system for lunch. Each child chooses their lunch at the beginning of the day

Red: Meat/Fish option

Green: Vegetarian option

JP: Jacket Potato

Alternatively, your child can bring in their own packed lunch.

Parent-Teacher communication

We are available after school, apart from Wednesday.

Please call the office and make an appointment. For any messages at the start of the day, please contact the office or send in a note.

There will be a new parent-teacher book for parents to use to ask any questions they may have.

English and Maths

- Children have daily English and Maths lessons. They will complete regular extended pieces of writing and reading comprehensions as well as arithmetic practise and times tables practise.
- Spellings will be given out on a Monday and tested on the Friday of the same week.
- Maths homework will be set via the *MyMaths* website on a Monday, and will be due on the Friday of the same week.

RE

- Autumn Term
 - Domestic Church – family: People
 - Baptism/Confirmation – belonging: called
 - Advent/Christmas – loving: gift
- Spring Term
 - Local Church – community: community
 - Eucharist – relating: giving and receiving
 - Lent/Easter – giving: self-discipline
- Summer Term
 - Pentecost – serving: new life
 - Reconciliation – inter-relating: building bridges
 - Universal Church – world: God's people
- Throughout the year we will also look at two other religions, one of which will be Judaism.

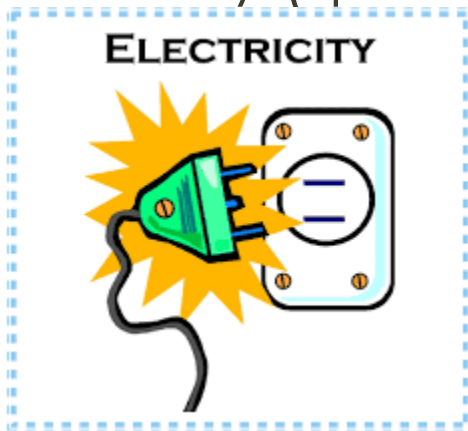
Geography

- For the other half of each term we will be covering different geography topics. These will be:
- **Autumn:** Journey Through Europe.
Spring: World's Kitchen
Summer: Tokyo/2021 Olympics



Science

- Throughout the year, we will be covering the following units of work:
 - Living things and habitats
 - States of matter
 - Sound
 - Animals including Humans
 - Electricity (spread over two terms)



Other lessons

- Where possible, we will try and link other lessons (such as art, Design and Technology etc.) to topics we are covering in other lessons (such as making mosaics to link with our Autumn history topic)



Homework

- We give out a homework grid at the beginning of each half term. Children are expected to complete at least 3 pieces of homework including 1 RE piece *each half term*.
- Maths homework is given out on a Monday and should be completed by Friday. This will usually be My Maths and is completed online.
- Children will be given a homework book to complete any written pieces of homework in, and stick their spellings sheets into. This must be brought back into school for the Friday of each week, when children are tested in their book.
- Spellings will be given out on a Monday and tested on a Friday.
- 20 minutes reading each day is essential and diaries should be updated and signed.

How to support your child

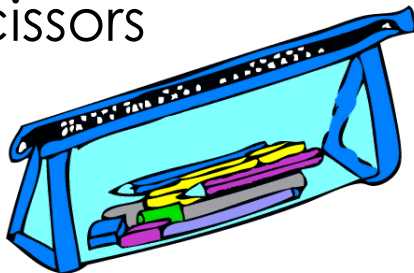
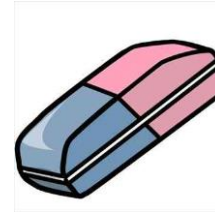
- Please make time to listen to your child read each day, ask them questions about what they have read and share stories with them.
- Support your child with their weekly spellings
- Times table practise and overlearning is crucial.
- Working with time, measure and money- problem solving opportunities.
- Vocabulary building – discuss unfamiliar words and what they mean. Record in vocabulary books.

School Stationery

It is very important that your child comes to school every day, with the right equipment. They need to have:

A pencil case containing:

- A black handwriting pen (no biros)
- A pencil and sharpener
- A rubber
- Colouring pencils
- A glue stick
- A ruler
- Scissors



Other points

- Hair – to be tied back.
- Shoes – black and sensible.
- Nails – no varnish
- Jewellery – plain stud earrings only. On Swimming days earrings should be removed.
- Earrings should be removed for PE or taped up.
- Kits need to be in school every day.



Uniform

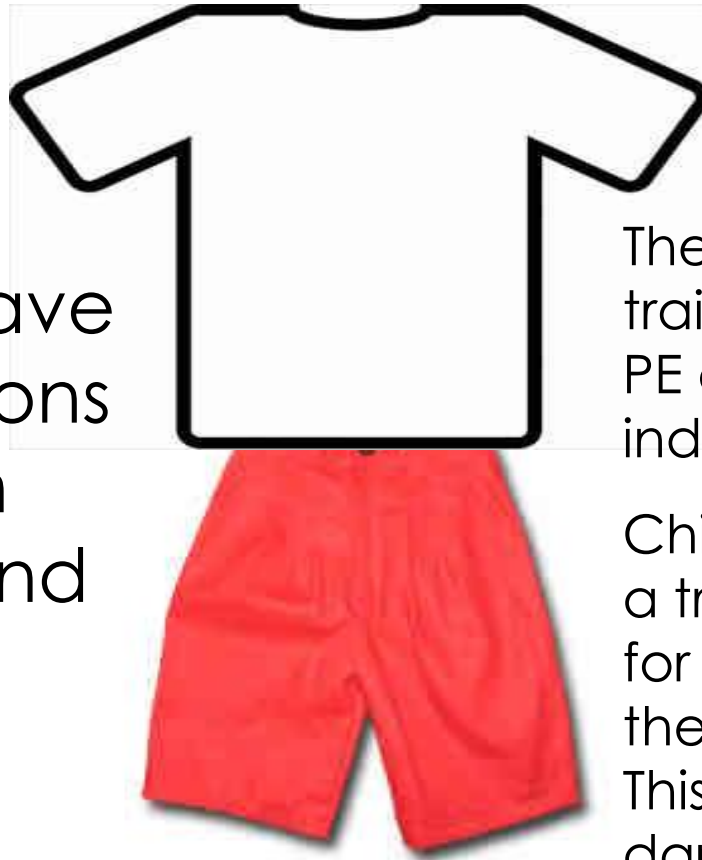


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Please consult the school website for a more in-depth explanation of what uniform to wear each term.



PE kits



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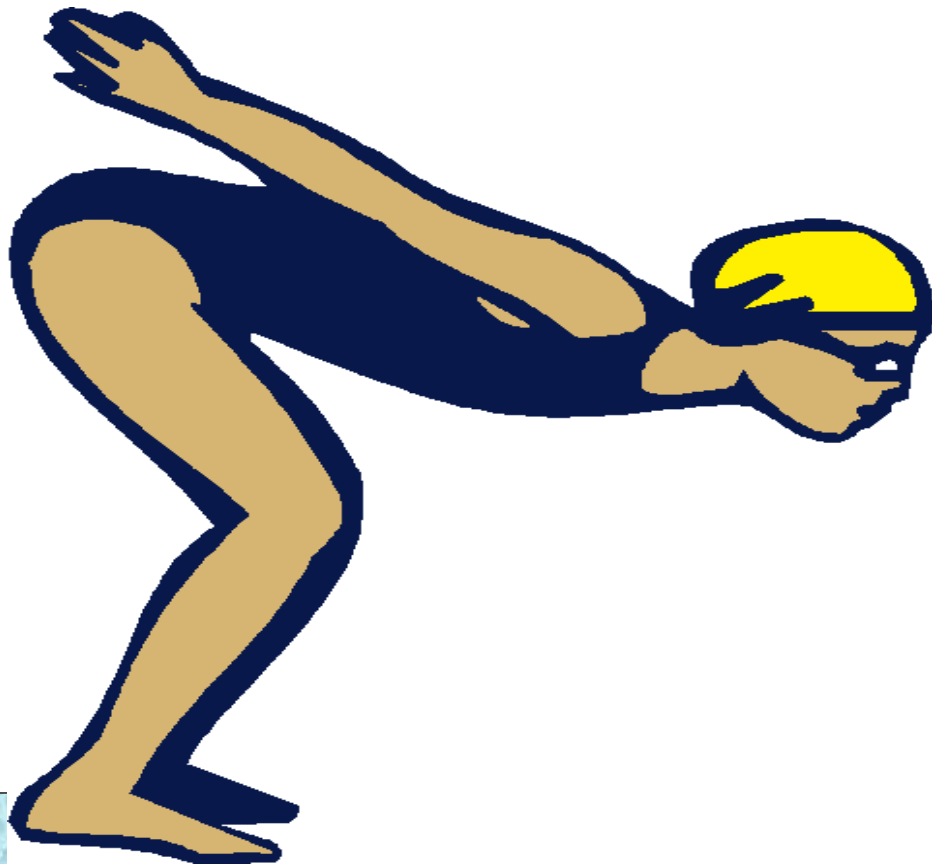
Children have two PE lessons a week, on Thursday and Friday.

They are allowed trainers for outdoor PE and plimsoles for indoor PE.

Children should have a track suit in school for outside PE, during the winter months. This should be in a dark colour: black, navy blue or dark green.

No jewellery or nail varnish should be worn.

Swimming



When it is safe to do so we aim to go swimming every Thursday after break.

Children need to make sure they bring their swimming kit!

A swimming cap is required.

**Thank you for
listening!**



Any questions? Please add to the new /
forthcoming 'Home Liaison Book'.