

Ashley Junior School

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19th April 2024

Dear Parent/Carer,

Welcome back!

We hope your child will have a happy, successful and productive final term in Year 4. We would like to take this opportunity to inform you of the curriculum coverage for the Summer Term. Please find the curriculum web attached which outlines the learning objectives for our new topic – 'Championing the Environment'. We hope that the following information will enable you to provide support and encouragement for your child.

English

Throughout the term, your child will experience a range of writing opportunities including non- fiction writing, writing stories and even the chance to explore a Shakespearian play. As part of the delivery of a rich reading curriculum, we will have library sessions on Thursdays.

Please ensure your child brings their library book in to school on this day so that they can change their book during the session.

Mathematics

The main topics included this term are; measures, geometry and statistics.

Times Tables

It is an expectation in the National Curriculum for Mathematics that by the end of Year 4 all children know and can recall all times table facts up to and including 12 x 12. In June, the children are required to complete a National Assessment Times Table Check, information about the check has already been emailed home and shared at our recent parent consultations. We would appreciate your support to encourage your child to practise for the check by reciting them and using 'TT Rockstars' and other online times tables games.

Home Learning

Reading

Children are expected to read daily for at least 10 minutes and record their thoughts and feelings in response to what they have read in their Reading River Record. The children's work in this book will go towards selecting the 'Star Reader' for each class. A 'Star Reader' will be chosen, celebrated and mentioned in the weekly newsletter.

Spelling

Your child will continue to practise their spellings weekly on a programme called 'DoodleSpell'. The programme builds your child's spelling confidence and ability as it is tailored to their individual strengths and weaknesses. This will only have an impact if they use 'DoodleSpell' at least three times a week for 10 minutes per session.

Maths

Your child will be expected to continue to access 'DoodleMaths,' an online Mathematics platform that is designed to challenge and inspire children on their Mathematical learning journey. We recommend completing 10 minutes session at least three times per week.

School Trips

Nearer the time, in the second half of the term, you will be notified of the dates for our planned Geography field trips.

PE and Games

PE will take place on Mondays. Children will need to come into school wearing their kit on the day. PE Kit consists of house team T-shirt, black shorts, plain socks and sensible footwear.

Snacks and Water bottles

We politely request **ALL** children have a named water bottle in school, please ensure that these are not filled with squash or fizzy drinks, as only water is permitted. These will need to return home and be washed each day.

Communication with Parents / Carers

If you wish to speak to your child's class teacher, please contact the school office and they will forward your message to the relevant adult/s.

Yours faithfully,
Mrs Harvey & Miss Brooker

The Year Four Team