

Friday 10th January 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

Unbelievably, we have just begun the second term of the year already! This term is one in which your child can make the most progress in their Year 4 learning journey. To maximise your child's learning, please ensure that they arrive at school at 8:25am so we can squeeze all of their important learning into this shorter term. Over the page is summary of the different areas of the curriculum that will be covered this term. This will give you a thorough insight into your child's learning journey so that you can help support them as much as possible.

In the first Spring half term, Year 4 will be linking our learning to the topic of "Ancient Egyptians". Through this topic, pupils will be learning about how the ancient Egyptians lived, the changes during this time and their beliefs. Over the second half of the term, we are focusing on geography skills and will be looking at the continent of "South America". Year 4 will be identifying where this group of countries is in relation to Europe, looking at similarities and differences of the many countries that make up South America and look at some of the changes to South America that have happened in recent times.

Dates for your diary – Spring 2020

PE:	4C Tuesday & Wednesday 4H Monday & Tuesday 4I Monday & Thursday
Year 4 trip to the Tate Britain:	Monday 13 th January 2020
Safer Schools talk:	Monday 20 th January 2020
Year 4 trip to the British Museum:	Wednesday 29 th January 2020
Safer Internet day:	Tuesday 11 th February 2020
RSE week:	w/c Monday 2 nd March 2020
World Book Day:	Thursday 5 th March 2020
Parent Consultation Evening:	Thursday 26 th March 2020
End of Term:	Friday 3 rd April at 1:00pm

As you may know, we are also continuing to use "Timetable RockStars" which is especially important because Year 4 will be taking a Government initiated assessment at the end of this academic year. Any extra practice at home of their multiplication facts (up to 12x12) will be incredibly beneficial to your child's progress! Also, please ensure that your child wears the correct uniform and that it is clean for each school day. Also, please make sure your child has the correct PE kit for their lessons, including a comfortable pair of trainers.

Home learning will be set on a **Friday** and will be due in on **Tuesday**, including a weekly spelling test. Some home learning will be research preparation for future lessons. Reading every evening is expected **daily** and should be recorded in their *Reading Record*. It is your child's responsibility to organise themselves to make sure that they have everything they need and complete relevant expected tasks; please encourage them to be independent in having the right resources to school. If you have any queries about the work your child is doing, please do feel free to contact us either face-to-face after school or through ClassDojo.

Yours faithfully,

The Year 4 Team

Mr Upson

Mrs Quebrada-Ramirez

Mrs Gibson

Mrs Abujuma

Mrs Ahmet