

# Meet the Year 4Team!

4H – Mr Upson

4I – Mrs Quebrada-Ramirez & Mrs Lennon

4C – Mrs Gibson

Mrs Abujuma and Mrs Ahmet

# Expectations at SMAB

- School begins at 8:25am – please make sure your child is here on time as this slot is invaluable for giving feedback.
- Correct uniform and PE kit – trainers are advised.
- Earrings – studs not hoops.
- Children must bring in their Accelerated Reading book in everyday.
- Money/permission slips – please give to the class teacher.
- Library books – the children will be bringing home a book once a week.
- Children need to bring in their Reading Record everyday.
- **We are a nut free and a healthy school!**

## PE in Year 4

- 4H – Monday afternoon & Tuesday morning
  - 4C – Tuesday afternoon & Wednesday morning
  - 4I – Monday morning & Thursday afternoon
- Trainers are advised for support and comfort.
- Please ensure it is cleaned regularly if possible.

# Reading

- 20 minutes every day - independently or with a family member.
- Reading Records will be checked every Monday
- Comments in their Reading Record could be:
  - What they enjoyed;
  - Challenging words;
  - Prediction of what might happen next;
  - Something they have learnt from their book;
- Reading should be fun and we will direct your child to select books that are interesting to them
- Listening to other people read is also great for developing comprehension and understanding of new vocabulary.
- Pupils are able to take their AR test at home – we encourage this so you are able to see and support us further with their reading!

# Multiplication and Division facts

- By the end of Year 4, all pupils need to know up to their 12 times tables
- It is extremely important that the children learn their multiplication facts by and be able to recall them rapidly.
- In June, all pupils will take a Government initiated times table test.
- Playing on TT RockStarz daily as well as rapid recall at home will help us to ensure they are confident in their knowledge of times tables.



# Spellings

- Your child will receive a spelling list each week in their Home learning book.
- Please encourage them to practice daily – 5 minutes a day for 4 days is better than 15 minutes at once!
- Please support your child as much as possible – if you need some strategies please ask your child's class teacher!

# Letter-join

## Handwriting

- At SMAB we encourage children to write using the *Cursive Style* of handwriting.
- There is a link on our website in order to help support your child.

### **Benefits:**

- Overtime, pupils will write faster.
- Helps with spelling.
- Legible – important in school progression.

# Year 4 Topics

- Virtually all of our learning is linked into our various topics.
- There will be both an entry and exit point to every topic to get the pupils excited and to also consolidate their knowledge of the topic.
- We have started learning about the brain and looking at how we learn, which will help embed their new knowledge and skills.

Other topics this year will include:

- Community;
- Black History Month;
- Young Entrepreneurs.



## Trips

- Throughout the year we will be going on a variety of trips to help consolidate our learning.
- We will notify you of any upcoming trips via letters.
- We may require parental support, so please let us know if you are able to help on any trips we venture on.

# Home learning

- 10 spellings per week.
- At least 5 entries in their reading record each week.
- Home Learning projects – variety of fun and engaging tasks to do with/without a parent/carer.
  - Bring in your completed tasks in on a Tuesday and it will be marked and importantly used in class to help in lessons!

## Keeping in touch

- On the playground is the best way of letting us know of any issues.
- ClassDojo for information and to see what's going on in our classrooms!
- Twitter – information, school trips, news and more!

## Finally...

- Please come and see us if you have any issues or concerns, make an appointment and we're always happy to talk!
- Any help you can provide would be wonderful; please mention how or what you can do to your child's class teacher.
- Thank you very much for taking the time to join us today!