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Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you had a wonderful summer holiday! This letter contains some useful information about the expected activities in Foxes, Rabbits and Dragonflies this term.

Firstly, to introduce the team:

Class	Teacher(s)	Teaching assistant(s)
Foxes 	Mrs Walsh (Mon – Wed) Mrs Drury (Thurs – Fri)	Mrs Sillett
Rabbits 	Mrs Drury (Mon) Mrs Bennett (Tues – Fri)	Ms. Holden Mrs Martin
Dragonflies 	Miss Birkinshaw	Mrs Feavearyear Mrs Rush

Maths	Place value; addition, subtraction, multiplication and division; properties of shapes; length; fractions; time; bar charts, pictograms and tables.
English	Diary writing and writing an alternative fairy tale. We will be focusing on writing effective sentences, similes and metaphors, adjectives and adverbs.
History	The Romans
Computing	Programming using Scratch
PE	Football, tag rugby, cross country, ball skills, swimming (Year 4)
Science	Forces and magnets
Art and DT	Mosaics



Headteacher: Mrs S.H. Bradford
Deputy Headteacher: Miss D.K. Stannard

Music	Exploring rhythm and matching instruments to songs
RE	Commitment to religion
Spanish	Numbers and colours
PSHE	Rules and online safety

Reading

Reading will take place each day with whole class or group work based on a book, as well as time for personal, quiet reading and guided reading. Books will be sent home regularly and we ask that children read with an adult at least three times a week.

Spellings

Spellings will be set on a Friday and published on Class Dojo, and then tested on the following Friday. We recommend the children use the Look, Say, Cover, Write and Check method for learning their words.

Times tables

Children will have times tables to be learning each week as listed below; please help them to practise these. As well as saying them out loud, writing them down and answering questions about them, they can use Times Table Rockstars on the computer. Year 4s will be taking an online Multiplication Check at the end of the year.

Week beg 12 th Sept	2x
Week beg 19 th Sept	10x
Week beg 26 th Sept	5x
Week beg 3 rd Oct	2x, 5x and 10x
Week beg 10 th Oct	4x
Week beg 17 th Oct	2x, 5x, 10x and 4x
Half term	
Week beg 1 st Nov	8x
Week beg 8 th Nov	4x and 8x
Week beg 31 st Oct	2x, 5x, 10x, 4x and 8x
Week beg 7 th Nov	3x
Week beg 21 st Nov	3x and 4x
Week beg 28 th Nov	3x, 4x and 8x
Week beg 5 th Dec	2x, 5x, 10x, 4x, 8x, 3x

P.E.

Children are timetabled to have an indoor and outdoor PE lesson each week, but please ensure they have their kits in school each day so it is available if there is a change in timetable or a special activity. They need a white T-shirt and blue or black shorts for indoor sessions and when the weather is warm. They will also need a pair of jogging bottoms and a sweatshirt since P.E. lessons will continue throughout the winter. Two pairs of trainers are needed so they have a clean pair to wear in the hall and a pair that can get muddy outside. A carrier bag is also advisable to put the muddy shoes in after a lesson.

Swimming

Year 4 children will go swimming. Classes will take it in turns to go through the year in order that groups are smaller, with each class getting around 10 lessons. Dragonflies will be going first and those parents should have received details today.

The children will need to come to school with their swimming costume on underneath their uniform, and with a bag with towel, underwear and swim hat. Goggles are optional. Girls need to wear a one-piece costume, boys are asked to wear tight-fitting shorts. Long hair should be tied up and no earrings or jewellery are allowed.

Homework

Homework activities will be published on Class Dojo. There will be a menu-type list of tasks related to our topic from which the children can choose. We would recommend that children choose two or three to complete each half term and they can upload their work to Class Dojo.

Please get in touch if you have any queries or concerns.

Amy Bennett, Katharine Walsh, Sarah Drury, Charlotte Birkinshaw