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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) Miss Birkinshaw (Thurs – Fri)	Mrs Sillett Mrs Godbold Mrs Feavearyear Mrs Keen Mrs Hines
Rabbits 	Miss Baker	
Dragonflies 	Mrs Drury (Mon, Thurs, Fri) Miss Birkinshaw (Tues – Wed)	

Maths	Place Value, Addition and Subtraction, Multiplication and Division, Measurement and Area.
English	Narrative, poetry, explanation and persuasion. We will be focusing on writing effective sentences, similes and metaphors, adjectives and adverbs.
History	How children's lives have changed?
Computing	Computing networking systems Data handling
PE	Football, tag rugby, netball, basketball, swimming (Year 4)
Science	Forces and Space: Forces and Magnets
Art and DT	Pavilion structures Painting and mixed media

Music	Body and tunes percussion
RE	Are all religions equal?
French	This is me School days
PSHE	Families and relationships

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 shared reading. Books will be sent home regularly (one scheme book pitched at their level, one book of choice and a library book) and we ask that children read with an adult at least three times a week.

Spellings

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

Times tables

Each week we will have a times table test. At home, practise the times tables in order with your child. Once they get 24 out of 24 in their test they can colour that square and move onto the next one. Dojos are given for completing the different awards. Children should bring home their red book to show you their progress each week.

Bronze	10	5	5 & 10 mixed	
Silver	2	4	8	2, 4 & 8 mixed
Gold	3	6	9	3, 6 & 9 mixed
Platinum	7	11	12	7, 11 & 12 mixed
Diamond	All (24 questions)	All (40 questions)	All (with division)	

Please note that Year 4 children will be starting again at Bronze level.

P.E.

Children are timetabled to have an indoor and outdoor PE lesson each week, on a Wednesday and Thursday. They need to come to school in a white T-shirt and black shorts for indoor sessions and when the weather is warm. They will need to wear a pair of black jogging bottoms and a black sweatshirt or hoodie throughout the winter.

Swimming

Year 4 children will go swimming. Classes will take it in turns to go through the year so that groups are smaller. Dragonflies will be going first, starting on Thursday 12th September and swim up to and including Thursday 12th December.

The children will need to come into 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.

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

Katharine Walsh, Sarah Drury, Charlotte Birkinshaw and Donna Baker