



West Byfleet
Junior School

Welcome to Year 4

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Please can we ask that when an enquiry is classroom based, you contact the classteacher directly rather than the office.

What to expect in Spring Term:



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At a glance

English: Multi-genre study

Maths: Multiplication and Division, Length and Perimeter, Fractions and Decimals

Science: States of Matter

Geography: Scandinavia

RE: Are words more important than actions?

PSHE: Valuing difference/Keeping Safe

French: Healthy Living

Art: Collage/Mixed Media

PE: Taught Wednesdays and Fridays

Music: Taught by Mr Broadbent





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Can you help in school?

Parental volunteers are a huge asset to the school.

Parents who are able to gift some of their time, no matter how small, would be greatly appreciated.

If you are able to help in anyway, please e-mail your child's class teacher.

Current requests:

Parent readers – this can be for your child's class and worked around your schedule.

Activity helpers (e.g. cooking) – parents who might be confident working with small groups. Some activities will include training that is paid for by the school.



Equipment – pencil cases

A number of children do not have the resources they need to access all of their lessons.

Please check your child's pencil case against the following list:

- Pencil
- Ruler (incredibly important for maths)
- Rubber
- Sharpener
- Glue stick
- Pens: (green, pink, purple, black handwriting pen)
- Scissors



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School routines and recurring dates for your diary.

The school day begins at 8:30 and gates are closed promptly at 8:45.

PE: Wednesday and Friday

Homework: Set on Thursday and due in the following Tuesday.

Dates for your diary:

Bikeability – Monday 18th , Tuesday 19th or Wednesday 20th March 2024 (please book a slot – email sent on Tuesday)

Open Morning – Thursday 29th February

Parent consultations – 4th and 6th March

Further detail to follow for those children doing bikeability on world book day.



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Homework

Homework will be both set on **Thursday**.

The expectation in Year 4 is that children will **read daily** and **complete times table rockstar** activities, alongside **an hour of homework** each week.

Homework this term will alternate using the grid and carrying out a piece of maths homework. Children will be able to choose an option from the grid choices (new grid this term).

Please ensure that the instruction sheet is read carefully as there may be weeks where we ask children to do something different.

Reading



Reading is one of the most crucial things you can do to support your child's education.

Please continue to read with your children. Children still need to be heard read by adults to improve their fluency, understanding of words and expression.

Reading to your children can help them with their understanding of words and picking up expression and tone.



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Multiplication Check

All pupils sit a multiplication check towards the end of Year 4. This check takes place during the month of **June** and pupils are tested on their times tables **up to their twelve times table**.

We support pupils in school by offering frequent opportunities to practise their times tables recall.

This can be supported at home by encouraging children to **use times tables rockstars**. Not only do these online resources allow children to develop recall, but the interface is similar to that of the test itself; we find that many children struggle more with the *layout* of the test than the questions themselves.



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Hooke Court

There will be a separate meeting before Hooke court.



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Thank you!