

Year 3&4 Autumn term, 2026 Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers of Year 3 and 4 pupils,

Welcome back from a long hot Summer to what is always a long fun term! We hope you are all refreshed, not too parched and raring to go in your new classes. We have had quite a shuffle of staff for this term to keep everyone fresh and on their toes, which we are all positive about and looking forward to providing the best education for your children that we can.

As always, our expectations for school uniform remain high. So here is a reminder of some of the school's key expectations:

- **Hair longer than shoulder length must be tied back;**
- **No dyed hair;**
- **Stud earrings only please – no hoops or dangly ones;**
- **No necklaces, bracelets or other jewellery to be worn;**
- **Plain black school shoes only please – no boots or trainers with white or coloured trim / sole;**
- **Tattoos or nail varnish to be removed after the weekend or a party etc before coming to school;**

Children who fail to meet these standards more than once will miss their next 'Golden Time'.

PLEASE NOTE: P.E. Kit Update: On your child's designated P.E. days, they are expected to come into school in the correct P.E. kit. Here are the class days:

3AB: Monday & Thursday, 3B: Tuesday and Friday 3K: Monday & Tuesday

All Year 4 classes: Tuesday & Wednesday

Please bear the weather forecast in mind when sending your child in. E.g. if it is cold, make sure they have long jogging bottoms and a fleece to wear outdoors. We are a hardy bunch and go outdoors in most weathers!

Many thanks for your co-operation,

Mr. M. Booth (Phase Leader) Mr. J. Knill, Mrs. G. Brown, Mrs T. Ahmet, Mr. J. Marks, Miss S. Jay, Miss M. Le Grice (teachers)

Mrs E. Cleaver, Mrs. S. Murton, Ms. J. Durrant, Mrs. N. Subramanian (Teaching Assistants),

Key Dates to Remember This Term

Tuesday 15.9.26 (4LG & half of 4M), & **Wednesday 16.9.26** (4J & half of 4M): Year 4 trip to Sutton Hoo.

Wednesday 14.10.26 & Thursday 22.10.26: Parent consultation meetings.

Friday 27.11.26: Professional Development day - children not in school.

Thursday 10.12.26 @9:30am Year 3 & 4 Christmas production

Friday 11.12.26 @2:00pm Year 3 & 4 Christmas production

Year 4 Learning This Term:

History: Anglo-Saxons & Vikings

Science: sound and hearing, electricity

Art: drawing techniques

D.T.: Using circuits in greetings cards

R.E.: Symbols and beliefs

P.E.: netball, dance, gymnastics, hockey, basketball

R.S.H.E.: Positive relationships, emotional well-being; personal safety

Our Year 3 themes this term will be:

History: The Ancient Egyptians

Geography: Egypt

Science: Forces and Magnets, and Rocks and soils

Art: Painting, Sculpture and textiles

D.T.: Puppets and wooden frames

R.E.: Beliefs in Action in the World: The Environment

P.E.: Egyptian themed dance and either Hockey, Netball, basketball

R.S.H.E.: Positive relationships, emotional well-being, personal health

Homework / Online learning

As recommended by the government, we expect adults to read with their child at least 5 times a week, if not daily. This can then be logged on **Boom Reader**.

To help with times tables, we highly recommend using **Times Tables Rock Stars** on a regular basis too. This is a vital part of your home-learning support because the Year 4s take the statutory times tables test in June.

Spellings will usually be sent home on a weekly basis for you to practise with your child.