

Welcome to Year 4

4NC Class Profile

Meet the Year 4 Team

Teachers



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Homework:

Information regarding the homework that your children will receive in Year 4 can be found on the home learning sheet that will be sent out in September.

Dear Parents

I am Mrs Chapman, your child's class teacher next year.

Welcome to Year 4!

We are very much looking forward to this coming year and we hope the children are too! There will be an opportunity to meet with your child's class teacher at Parents' Meetings. However, if in the meantime there is anything you wish to discuss with us, please do not hesitate to contact us. We hope you all have an exciting and relaxing summer.

Your child can enter their classroom from the Year 3 & 4 corridor, entering either from the Year 1 & 2 courtyard or the playground doors. Usually the classroom doors will be open from 8.30am so that the children are settled for registration at 8.45am. At the end of the school day, the children will exit their classrooms at 3.15pm.

A little bit about myself:

Hello 4NC! As I'm sure lots of you know, I love reading and will often be found with my head stuck in a book. I'm always looking for great recommendations of something new to read, so let me know what you read over the Summer! I enjoy running – I'm not the fastest, but I try to run at least once a week to keep me fit. At the weekend I'm usually found next to a football pitch watching my two sons play for their teams. I enjoy watching sport and movies on TV and listening to music by my favourite bands.

What to expect in Year 4: There are many things to look forward to in Year 4. We have many exciting trips such as a Holdenby House Visit and the Roald Dahl Museum. The children will learn about lots of exciting topics such as The Mayans, India and Vikings. We will have many opportunities to further develop our knowledge and also have fun. The children also move from pencil to pen when we feel they are ready and will earn their 'Pen Licence' and be given their first pen to use.

What we expect from our Year 4s: In the mornings, Year 4 children come into school independently and unpack their things so that they can get on with the morning tasks and activities set by the teacher. During the day, they do their best to carry out the tasks set to the best of their ability; they are respectful of their peers and teachers. At the end of the day, they pack away independently, look after their own belongings and manage their space appropriately. All we ask is that they always try their best and approach each day with a positive and can-do attitude.

What they will need to bring in each day: In Year 4 we ask that the children continue to use book bags rather than rucksacks as these can fit neatly in their trays. They will also need a water bottle, indoor and outdoor PE Kit, hairband if needed and trainers. Pencil cases are not required. Please can all items be clearly named. Your child may wish to bring in a reading book from home, which would be great, but they can always choose one from the bookshelves in the Year 4 area if they would prefer to.

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Times Tables

By the end of Year 3, children are expected to know 2, 5, 10, 3, 4 and 8-times tables off by heart. Many of them are doing a great job with their times tables but we would like them to keep working hard on Times Table Rock Stars throughout the summer break. This will help them to speed up instant recall and ensure that they don't forget them. Other Maths topics that you could easily revise at home are telling the time and money. So please let them spend some pocket money too!

Reading

We also feel that it is essential that the children read as much as possible over the break, as this will give them many wonderful ideas that they can incorporate into their own writing. Perhaps they can take part in the Towcester Library Reading Challenge where you can log the books that they have read and earn a certificate! The link below will take you to a list of great books to look out for:
<https://www.nicholashawksmooracademy.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/08/KS2-Suggested-Reading-List.pdf>

Spellings

We think it would be helpful with the children's preparations for Year 4, if they practice spelling words that they found tricky in their Year 3 English Books. As they read, it would also be useful to write down any new / unfamiliar words to discuss and look up with parents. Can they bring in a list of new words in September to share with us? We love ambitious vocabulary!

Health & Wellbeing

In our school, we use a range of resources to discuss our own lives and our understanding of others. BBC Bitesize has a wide variety of resources and videos to use as discussion topics focussing on emotional wellbeing, self-awareness, respecting differences and more. The 'classroom ideas' provided will give advice on how to discuss these topics and questions to think about.

Summer challenge (project)

As mentioned on the previous page we would love the new Year 4s to get creative and show off all that have learned from Year 3. We would love to see and hear all about a topic that they particularly enjoyed which they can research further and create a piece of work that they can share with us in September.

Finally, we hope you all have a fantastic summer holiday with your families and friends making lots of memories too. We look forward to hearing all about it in September. See you then!