

Wyke Regis CE Junior School
Year 4 Newsletter
September 2007

Welcome to Year 4.

The Year 4 team would like to welcome all our new children and their families. We hope you have all enjoyed the summer break.

The Year 4 Teachers and Teaching Assistants are:

4R: Mrs Rewse (Year Leader) with Mrs Mitchell. Mrs Hyde will teach 4R on Tuesday afternoons and for one session on Friday mornings.

4M: Mr Maslin with Mrs Black.

4L: Mrs Leeming with Mrs Simmons.

Mr Payne and Mr Greenacre will also join us on Wednesdays afternoons.

Topics this term

This term your child will be studying Roman Britain, Electricity and Celebrations. We will also be discussing how we can be successful learners and creating our own class rules. As part of our work on Romans we will be having a 'Roman Week' beginning on Monday 24th September. More details about this week will follow very soon in a separate letter.

PE, Games and Swimming

PE and Games take place on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. Please make sure your child has the correct named kit in school. This is black or blue shorts with dark blue or white T shirt or the House PE shirts Children may wear jogging bottoms in cold weather and trainers are better than plimsolls when we go outside. No jewellery should be worn and those children who use inhalers should have them with them.

This year each Year 4 class will go swimming on Monday mornings for a whole term. This will start next Monday with 4M and those children will be getting a separate letter about this.

Homework

Your child will receive a Reading Bag, Reading Record Book and Reading Book. Daily regular reading is very important. Fifteen minutes each day can make all the difference to your child's progress. Children will soon be bringing

home weekly spellings to learn and, if you have the internet at home, you will be able to access these on the school website. Do take a look at the website as it is constantly being updated and you will be able to access all our letters and other information through the Year 4 webpage.

Children will also receive one piece of Literacy and one piece of Maths homework each week. Maths will be set on Monday, to hand in on Wednesday, and Literacy will be set on Thursday, to hand in the following Monday. We will be starting this shortly.

Parent Helpers - Guided Reading

We greatly value help from parents in school. We particularly welcome help with Guided Reading which will take place on Tuesday mornings from 8.50 - 9.30. If you are able to help please let us know by filling in the attached slip. If you haven't been CRB cleared please fill in the slip anyway and ask at the office for a form to fill in - it's quite painless and means that you will be able to help with our trips and other activities if you would like to.

Leeson House

Our Residential Visit to Leeson House will be in April and there will be a Parents meeting in the very near future to tell you more about this.

SATs

We will be doing our Year 4 tests the week beginning June 9th 2008, so if you are thinking of booking a holiday please try to avoid this week if possible.

Please, please, please, name all clothing and bags. It doesn't stop another child accidentally wearing your child's jumper but it does help to get it back!

Finally, there will be Parent Consultation Evenings around half term but in the meantime please do not hesitate to come and see us if you have any problems. We are available most days after school but we have staff meetings on Wednesdays.

We look forward to meeting you all and working with you and your children.

H Rewse, R Maslin, J Leeming,