## Year 4 Class Information January 2025



Dear Parent/Carer

I hope your child has enjoyed the Christmas holiday and is ready to tackle their first term of 2025. Please find below, some details and reminders to help you provide vital parental support for your child's progress this year:

**<u>Reading</u>**: Your child will continue to bring a reading book home every day. Please listen to them read, and discuss the story/text together, then sign the accompanying reading booklet. Your child will also read these books to an appropriate professional in school, on a regular basis, as part of a specific program, so *please help your child to remember to return these books daily*. In addition, please continue to read other books to (and with) your child, with an emphasis on *reading for enjoyment*. To this end, your child will also be bringing home library books, to be returned each day for use in school.

## Mathematics:

We will continue to use the White Rose Maths scheme of learning.

<u>Times Tables</u>: your child's knowledge of the times tables will be assessed regularly, and in addition, through the government's Multiplication Times Tables Tracker. Please encourage your child to practise as often as possible. Your child should now be fluent with most of their times tables. <u>It is vital that your child consolidates this learning through regular practice and support at home, using Times Table Rock Stars and reputable websites such as www.topmarks.co.uk ("Hit the Button" provides excellent practice).</u>

<u>Homework</u>: A small amount of English (including spelling) homework will normally be set each Friday, for completion by the following Friday. Please help your child to practise for the weekly spelling tests (normally on Thursdays). Maths homework is times tables based, as detailed above. Spring Term One: our focus will be on the 7 and 11 times tables (speed of recall/division facts). Spring Term Two: our focus will be on the 9 times tables (speed of recall/division facts).

General: Please ensure that your child has a pre-filled water bottle in school (no juice).

**Please help us to help your child:** it is really important for children in Year 4 to develop both independence and organisational skills. With this in mind, *please try to encourage your child to remember his/her own belongings: a jumper and coat, a (filled) water bottle and a lunch box (where applicable).* 

Please note that additional information can be obtained via the Y4 page on the school website.

With many thanks

Mrs Cooper and Mrs Brown January 2025



