

Year 4 Parent Information Letter

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are very excited to welcome your child into Year 4 and are looking forward to a fun, engaging, and successful year ahead. This letter outlines key expectations and how you can support your child's learning at home.

Reading at Home

Reading regularly is one of the most important ways you can support your child's learning. We ask that all children read aloud at home **at least three times per week for 20 minutes**. This can be from a school reading book, library book, or any age-appropriate text your child enjoys.

Please use the reading record to log each session, adding a brief comment if possible. Reading aloud builds confidence, fluency, vocabulary, and comprehension—so your support here is invaluable.

Statutory Spellings

Throughout the year, children will be learning the statutory spellings for Year 3 and Year 4, in addition to class-specific spelling rule focus from our spelling programme. These spellings form part of the national curriculum and will be reinforced regularly in school.

A copy of the statutory spellings is included in this pack for your information to practise at home too.

PE Days

Our Year 4 PE lessons will take place on:

- **Monday**
- **Friday**

Please ensure your child comes to school in their full PE kit on these days, including suitable footwear. Please ensure if your child wears earrings, they are removed everyday before school. Children are able to wear clear, plastic retainers.

Times Tables and the Multiplication Check (June 2026)

By the end of Year 4, all children in England are required to take part in the **Multiplication Tables Check (MTC)**. This is a statutory assessment designed to assess rapid recall of multiplication facts up to 12×12 .

To help your child prepare:

- All children will receive a **Times Tables Rock Stars (TTRS) password**, which they can use to practise online.

- We encourage at least **10 minutes of TTRS practice 3–4 times per week** at home.
- We will also provide regular in-class practice and assessments to track progress.

The official check will take place in **June 2026**. More details will be shared closer to the time.

Grammar Expectations

This year, we will be covering key grammar skills as outlined in the National Curriculum. A **Year 4 Grammar Expectations Mat** is included in this pack that we will be covering throughout the year.

How You Can Support at Home

Your involvement makes a huge difference. Here are some simple ways to help:

- **Establish a routine** for reading, spelling, and TTRS practice.
- **Celebrate successes**, no matter how small!
- Encourage a **positive attitude** towards learning and resilience when things get tricky.

If you have any questions about the curriculum, home learning, or how best to support your child, please don't hesitate to get in touch.

Thank you for your continued support,

Kind regards,

Mrs Harris and Mr Wright