

WELCOME YEAR 4 INFORMATION MEETING

WE HOPE YOUR CHILD HAS SETTLED IN WELL AND IS ENJOYING THE YEAR SO FAR.

THE YEAR 4 TEAM



•Badgers – Miss Rowley & Mrs Mills

•Foxes – Miss Parkin & Mrs Fortnum



Growing together to build our future...

KEY DATES



 Outdoor adventurers – 9 week block on a Tuesday afternoon from 6th May - 8th July
PGL - Monday Ist July 2023 – Wednesday 3rd July 2023

<u>PE days</u> Wednesday (indoor) and Tuesdays (outdoor)

MATHS

- Maths No Problem
- Chapter by chapter coverage of year 4 curriculum
 - Place Value (4 digit)
 - Addition and subtraction (4 digit)
 - Multiplication and division (3 digit and I digit)
 - Time (to the minute and 24 hour clock)
 - Fractions
 - Shape
- Maths journals to find multiple methods.
- Times tables All multiplication and division facts learnt for recall
- End of year 4 Government Times table check. All answers correct to pass.





Place Value



https://www.sumdog.com/en/

- Access to free play maths activities as well as tasks set by teachers based on current in-school learning.
- Trust-wide and National competitions (1000) run by sumdog
- School based challenges



ENGLISH

- Learning experience themed writing opportunities.
- Range of writing styles developed in a way that suits the learning experience
- Whole Class Reading Whole class text, tracked by all with key vocabulary pulled out and discussed.



Year 4 Learning Experiences

Autumn Term Roman Britain





Spring Term Habitats

Summer Term Ancient Egyptians



PE & Games

- PE for Year 4 is on Wednesday (Indoor PE) and Tuesday (Outdoor PE)
- Please name <u>all</u> kit.
- No jewellery or earrings (or these must be taped)
- Year 4 will have sessions of Outdoor Adventurers during the summer term on a Tuesday beginning 6th May.

PGL – OSMINGTON BAY



- Monday 1st July 2023 Wednesday 3rd July 2023
- Children placed into groups of 10 -12 and will have a selection of activities throughout the day accompanied with MFS staff and specialist PGL staff
 - Raft building, climbing, tunnelling, giant swing, quad biking, zip wire AND MORE!
- Evening activities provided by PGL staff
- Rooms allocated to groups of 4
- Separate information evening with further details will follow closer to the trip.

Class Dojo

Children are awarded Dojo points for being HeartSmart and for reflecting the Merley Learner characteristics.







Every Day Counts - Every Book Counts



Reading books will be changed every Monday and Thursday.

(Please make sure the children have their reading book with them on these days so we can change their books).

*Children will receive one book on each of these days.

*Just 5 mins reading a day is 900 mins reading per school year you can really make a difference.

Reading is the fastest way to build vocabulary - children can learn between **4000 and 12 000 words per year** through reading.

If you read just **20 mins a day you'll read 1, 800 000 words per year** and all that reading will pay off, as children who read a million words per year are often in the **top 2% of reading achievement**.

So every day every book really does count.

Love to Read



To support your child's reading further your child will also bring home a 'Love to Read' book

which will be chosen each week by them from our school library.

This book is for you to read to your child and for you and your child to

enjoy together.

By sharing this book together, talking about the story, characters, exploring vocabulary and asking questions you will be **supporting their understanding, developing their comprehension skills and widening their vocabulary.**

Homework at Merley First School

At Merley we are placing huge significance on the value and benefits of reading and vocabulary. This will be our sole focus for homework for this term and we would really appreciate your support with this. <u>Homework KS2</u>

- Daily reading
- Spellings sent home to be learnt this will be key words and/or words linked to previously taught spelling lessons.
- In addition, pupils will be required to practise their times tables to help secure number facts and prepare them for calculation.

Google Classroom

- All the children have a Google Classroom login.
- Home learning will be posted on Google Classroom every Friday to be completed by the following Thursday.



https://www.zumos.co.uk



- A daily mood check in
- Guided mindfulness relaxation sessions
- A 'worry box' with teacher access to see these

HELPING AT HOME

HOME LEARNING

- SumDog
- Daily reading (independent or with parents/carers)
- Spellings
- Times tables
- Books to be returned on a Monday and Thursday

OTHER OPPORTUNITIES

- Discussing words and stories
- Giving your child first- hand experience
- Having quality time together
- Writing whenever possible
- Watching the news (Newsround)
- Using Maths when shopping or cooking together
- Talking about how/ why things work in the world around them (Science)
- Having fun!



STAYING IN TOUCH



- Email / Parentmail
- Drop off / pick up
- Parents evenings first one after half term dates tbc
- Class Dojo
- School website
- Absence please report to the school office ASAP (not us)
- Please make sure if your child is going home with someone else, <u>you</u> tell us who with and when.

Merley PTA

Merley Parent Teacher Association was reformed last year.

We are very excited to have a PTA who are passionate about finding ways to celebrate our amazing school and community and provide those special extras for our children.

ALL parents/carers are welcome to attend meetings and all support is welcomed.



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