Spring 2022

Dear parents and carers,

Happy new year to everyone! We hope it will be a great term for everyone in Year 4.

In this letter we aim to give you an indication of what your child will be covering in the curriculum, as well as other information, which we hope you will find useful.

Spring Curriculum

	Spring 1	**Spring 2**
English	Black Dog by Levi Pinfold	Portal stories Poetry
Maths	Multiplication and division Area	Fractions Decimals
Science	Electricity	Teeth and digestion
History	N/A	N/A
Geography	World maps and atlases	Europe
R.E.	Bible stories	Bible stories
P.E.	Handball Dance	Tennis Dance
P.S.H.E	Managing safety and risk	Drug education
Music	Improvising and composing	Improvising and composing
DT	Electricity diorama	N/A
Computing	Programming	Digital literacy
Art	Collage of world flags	Still life
MFL	Food	Food
Out and About	Art – painting and sculptures	Gardening Conservation area

All children should have a named water bottle in school **every day**. They should take their bottle home on a Friday to be washed and this should be returned on a **Monday**.

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Clothing

All children need an **indoor and outdoor pair of shoes** with them at school **every day**. Sensible slippers may be worn as indoor shoes. Children are encouraged to wear school colours (blue) and long hair should be tied back.

Indoor PE is on Mondays and outdoor PE is on Fridays. PE kit must be brought in on these days. For out and about on Wednesdays, please ensure your child has on long sleeves and long trousers, as well as extra layers and raincoats if needed. We go out even if it is raining!

Homework

As well as daily practice of times tables and daily reading (see below), children are expected to complete a reading/writing activity each week. In addition, children may sometimes be given additional work to provide them with specific support. Your child will have a red homework book, which they should keep at home. Homework will be set on Seesaw on a Wednesday and is to be uploaded to Seesaw by the following Tuesday. There will be time at lunch on Tuesday for children to complete their homework if they have not done it during the week at home.

Reading

It is really important that your child reads regularly. Sometimes they will read to you; sometimes they will read on their own. It is also worthwhile for children to listen to books, including those that they cannot read independently. Please enjoy a range of fiction, non-fiction and poetry with your child. If you need support in choosing books or reading materials, please speak to your child's teacher. It is worth having subtitles on their TV programs, and listening to audio books.

Please be aware of the following:

Children should bring in a healthy snack (**fruit or vegetable**) for break times as fruit is not provided. This does not include dried fruit in wrappers (e.g. YoYo bears). No nuts at playtimes please. It can include savoury snacks such as bread sticks or rice cakes.

We are looking forward to working with you to support your children over the coming year. If you have any concerns or questions, please contact us. Our email addresses are: rbest@mayfield.cambs.sch.uk, rbarnes@mayfield.cambs.sch.uk or estow@mayfield.cambs.scu.uk. You can also catch us after school if you need to talk about anything.

Yours sincerely,

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