

Dear Parents and carers,

Happy New Year! We hope this term will be even better than the last for everyone.

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. Please note, some areas may be subject to change.

### Spring Curriculum

	Spring 1	Spring 2
<b>English</b>	In Our Hands-1 <sup>st</sup> person narrative Play scripts Guided reading –The Robot	Tanka poems Guided reading-Poetry by heart
<b>Maths</b>	Multiplication and division Fractions and Decimals	Fractions and decimals Length and perimeter
<b>Science</b>	Electricity	Teeth and digestion Food chains
<b>History</b>	N/A	N/A
<b>Geography</b>	Europe Countries, Climate, landscapes,	Europe-focus on Italy
<b>R.E.</b>	Bible stories	Bible stories
<b>P.E.</b>	Handball with Premier sport Dance	Tennis Gymnastics
<b>P.S.H.E</b>	Working Together - Safety Contexts	Rights Rules and Responsibilities
<b>Music</b>	Improvising and composing	Improvising and composing
<b>DT</b>	N/A	Electricity diorama
<b>Computing</b>	Programing	Data logging
<b>Art</b>	Still life (drawing)	N/A
<b>MFL</b>	Food	Food

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**.

### Clothing

All children need an **indoor and outdoor pair of shoes** with them at school **every day**. Children **must wear school colours** (blue and white) and long hair should be tied back.

**There will be no Out and About** sessions Spring 1 due to the year 4 performance as we need time to rehearse. These will resume on Wednesday afternoons after half term.

### Homework

Homework is set each week on Learning with parents. The task is English and math alternate weeks.

### 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. We are enjoying seeing all the reading the children are doing on the reading log.

### **Times tables**

The statutory Year 4 multiplication check will be taking place in the second half of summer term. Please make sure your child is practising their times tables daily to improve fluency and speed. This will also help them access maths lessons better and improve their understanding of number including fractions.

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 continuing to work with you to support your children over the coming year. If you have any concerns or questions, please contact us. Our email addresses are for 4S [rbarnes@mayfield.cambs.sch.uk](mailto:rbarnes@mayfield.cambs.sch.uk) or [estow@mayfield.cambs.sch.uk](mailto:estow@mayfield.cambs.sch.uk) and for 4P [lcarlson@mayfield.cambs.sch.uk](mailto:lcarlson@mayfield.cambs.sch.uk) or [hmaher@mayfield.cambs.sch.uk](mailto:hmaher@mayfield.cambs.sch.uk) You can also catch us after school if you need to talk about anything.

PLEASE COPY IN BOTH CLASS TEACHERS WHEN EMAILING.

Yours sincerely,

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