



Greystoke Primary School

Year 4
Autumn
1 Term
2023

Work Hard. Be Kind.

Welcome back to Year 4

We are so excited to welcome our Year 4 children back to school this term. We have a super Autumn term planned for the children with lots of exciting learning. Throughout Year 4, there will be a focus on times tables. Within curriculum our new topic will be the World of Water, with a focus on developing our Science and Geography knowledge and understanding. We will also be lucky enough to have visits from Seven Trent and The Canal and River Trust!

Uniform

At the start of the school year it is wonderful to see so many pupils wearing Greystoke uniform, they look very smart! However, not all of the uniform has got pupils names on them. Please can you ensure that ALL of your child's uniform is named because you have spent lots of money to ensure that they look that smart.

Water Bottles and Snacks

Pupils are encouraged to bring water into school so they can have a drink during the day. Do not send in juice, this is not allowed except with their lunch.

If your child would like to have milk at breaktime, then please contact the office to pay for this weekly.

In Key Stage Two will need to bring in a snack for break time, if they would like one. Children are to bring a piece of fruit or a healthy snack.

Reading

Pupils have all been given a PM and reading book, which is matched to their scholastic level and new reading record. Please read with your child every night for 5-10 minutes. You can then make a comment and sign in their reading records. If your child reads alone, please get them to complete a comment of the page they read up to. Please make sure their books and records are sent back to school with them every day.

Timestables

Within Year 4, we have a big focus on timestables due to our Multiplication Check in June 2024. We will have daily times tables lessons and regular sound checks in preparation for the check. It is expected that for the test, children will know all of their times table up to 12x12. We are expecting children to regularly practice their times tables at home using Timestables Rockstars. We appreciate your support in this area.

Homework and spellings

Homework will be set every Friday through Microsoft Teams. This can be completed online and should be shared with your teacher by Wednesday, unless specified otherwise. The first homework will be set on 15th September. Spellings will also be sent out on a Friday and will link to the common exception words that will be included within our writing throughout the year.

Our door is always open...

If you have any concerns or questions regarding your child's learning, please feel free to speak to or email the class teacher.

Miss Walker (4AW)

Miss Powell (4LP)

PE

Pupils are expected to wear a PE kit when taking part in physical exercise.

Kit

Shorts
Jogging bottoms
House colour T-shirt
Trainers

PE Days

Children are to come dressed in their PE Kit on Monday and Thursday. This will be outside when possible so please make sure your child has suitable clothing. Within Autumn Term 2, we will be going swimming so instead of PE kit children are to come with swimming kit.

Online resources

Lots of learning resources will be online this year and these can be used in school or at home. In Year 4, we will be using century, timestables rockstars, scholastic and teams.

Microsoft Teams will continue to be used this year. This is a great way to send and share work and notices. Children can also share their out of school successes on teams using the Celebrate Learning Channel.