

Wyke Regis Primary Federation

Inspiring Hearts and Minds

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Welcome to Year 4

4B Mrs Banner (Year leader)
4J Miss Jones (Class teacher)
4S – Mr Smith (Class teacher)

Teaching Assistant team: Mrs Marlow, Mrs Cameron
Mrs Andrews, Mrs Pizzey and Ms McKay

We would like to take this opportunity to welcome you and your child to Year 4. We hope that they will find the coming academic year enjoyable, exciting and challenging.

Year 4 offers many exciting opportunities for the children throughout the year, including a **residential trip** for 2 nights to Hook Court, learning a brass instrument and hopefully a return to swimming lessons as the year progresses. You will receive further information about all of these opportunities in due course - and hopefully you have already signed up to the Hook Court trip!

Our first topics this year are – **Meet the Team** and **Coast to Coast**. Where we will be looking at the varying features of our local coastline, coastal erosion and completing some map work. Please take the opportunity to go on a coastal walk and look at how the land scape changes!

Homework across KS2 still consists of:

- Spelling/handwriting which will be sent home weekly for a test the following week. Please keep a copy of these and 'test' your child on them prior to the class test – then practise the ones they are finding tricky.
- Times tables' practise on weekly Times Tables Rock Stars sheets – time themselves, (allowing up to 5 mins maximum (Even if they don't complete the sheet) and record their score and time – please mark these with your child to enable you to identify what tables they need to work on. We encourage short bursts daily on TT Rock Stars on the tables set in **Garage** or by choosing ones they find difficult in **Jam**.

At the end of the year, Year 4 children complete a government test on all their times tables up to 12x12 – so please encourage your child to practise these.

- Reading - We want to continue to foster confident readers who have a love of books. Please help us by ensuring that your child is reading regularly at home for 20 minutes **at least** 3 times per week in order to get their reading rewards. **Please ensure that you sign your child's reading record confirm that they have been reading at home.**

We will be praising and rewarding our '**Homework Heroes**' who regularly complete all 3 tasks.

A full school uniform list is available on our school website. However, we would like to remind you that socks should be plain black, grey or white and not trainer socks; hair accessories should be simple and in school appropriate colours; jewellery is limited to plain, round stud earrings and a watch; and nail varnish should not be worn. **Full uniform PE kit needs to be worn to school on PE days.** This includes plain black joggers or

shorts, their team t-shirt – or if not a plain white one, and their school hoodie on cooler days. **(4B and 4S are Monday and Friday and 4J are Monday and Tuesday for this half term).**

It is important that your child brings a named water bottle to school and we encourage them to drink throughout the day. They should also bring in a piece of fruit for a snack at playtime. Also, a reminder that children do not need to provide their own pencil cases, or bring any stationery into school.

Please ensure everything is named including all PE kits, coats, lunch-boxes and jumpers, as this will mean it is more likely lost property will find its way back to the classroom.

We look forward to seeing you at the parent consultations at the end of September. However, if you wish to contact us before then, please feel free to catch us at the end of the day or telephone the school office to make an appointment. Alternatively, send an email to the following address, which will be forwarded to your class teacher.

junoffice@wykeregisfed.dorset.sch.uk

Kind Regards

The Year 4 Team