St Paul’s Year 4 Newsletter





September 2023

Dear Parents and Children,

Welcome back! We hope you had an enjoyable and restful summer holiday and are looking forward to the new school year as much we are!



***Reading:***

The children will choose their own books to take home, which can be changed **once the book is completed.** Once you have read with your child please record it in the reading log, this way we know that your child has read and we will then be able to change their book. Please feel free to comment on how your child read - did they struggle with any specific words? Did they enjoy the book? Did they read well? Your child is also welcome to make comments too! Reading records will be collected and checked by us weekly.



If your child has chosen a longer book and would like more time to finish reading it – or if they are reading their own books from home, please let us know in the reading log. Similarly, if your child is not enjoying the book they have been given, let us know and we can change it! Please ensure your child is reading every day at home.

***Homework:***

Homework will consist of maths and spelling activities. It will be sent home on a **Friday** and collected in on **Tuesday**. The spelling tests will take place weekly on a **Thursday.** More details will be sent home about this additional homework soon.

It is expected by the end of year 4 that children are familiar with, and can recite, all times tables to 12. We will practise this in class throughout the year and your support in practising at home would be greatly appreciated!

***PE:***

**4L – PE will take place on Monday afternoon and Wednesday morning.**

**4J – PE will take place on Monday afternoon and Friday morning.**

Please ensure that your child has their PE kit in school for all PE sessions (many parents find it easier to keep PE kits in school, taking them home at the end of half terms to be washed). It is important that children are not wearing jewellery / earrings on these days. The school PE kit is black shorts, plain white t-shirt and black plimsolls (indoors) or trainers (outdoors).

A plain blue, black or grey tracksuit will be worn for PE in the colder months.

***School Uniform***

Please label all school uniform and PE kit to avoid items being misplaced. Ensure that your child is wearing full school uniform to school each day. If your child wears boots to school, please ensure that they have their school shoes to change in to for the school day.

***Recorder Lessons***

This year your child will be having recorder lessons on **Fridays** which are taught by an experienced music teacher. In previous years, children have enjoyed these lessons and have made wonderful progress over the year. Children may take the recorders home to practise, but they **must** ensure that they have them in school each lesson.

***Collecting Your Child***

If your child is going to be collected by someone else, it is essential that the school knows in advance. You can either let the class teacher know at the start of the day or inform the school office on 0208 560 3297.

We are always available at the end of each school day for any questions or to discuss any concerns that you may have. Longer appointments can be arranged by contacting the school office using the following email:

**office@stpauls.hounslow.sch.uk**

Many thanks for your support,

 Mrs Lonsdale and Mr Johnston