

Dear Year 4 Parents/Carers,

Grab your wetsuit. We're going deep into an underwater world of incredible coral and mysterious sea creatures. Head to your local aquarium and learn about life in the ocean. Can you pick a favourite fish, plant or animal? What do real divers get up to below the surface? Create a fishy story about exploring an amazing underwater world. Time to go a little deeper into our seas. Make a model deep sea submarine that can withstand great pressure and travel to the deepest, darkest places on Earth. Make sure you test it first. What are those bright lights in the distance? It's a group of bioluminescent sea creatures. Look closely and create a colourful, 3-D art exhibition when you rise to the surface. Flippers on? Snorkel ready? Let's head into the Blue Abyss. This is your brand new topic for Year 4

#### Homework

Whilst we recognise the busy lifestyles that all of us now lead, we do ask that you support your child's learning by whenever possible making time to listen to them read and supporting them with homework activities.

Children have the opportunity to read in school but should also be reading on a daily basis at home. We would ask that you make a note and sign any reading undertaken in their home school diary. This home reading will count towards their Reading Challenge. Don't forget that you can also achieve your Atlantic Authors by reading at least 5 authors from the recommended authors list.

Each week the children will also be expected to practise and learn spellings, times tables and number bonds appropriate to their ability.

#### Focus Tested on

Spelling Thursday

Times Tables Daily

The Home/School diaries are checked, usually on a Friday, and can be a useful method to communicate between the home and school. Please encourage your child to bring it to school each day and let us know if there is something that needs to be read. Important dates will be communicated separately.

KIRF: Multiplying and dividing by 10 or 100

This term the focus is to be able to multiply and divide by 10 or 100. Remember to continue to practise your number bonds to 100, fractions and decimals equivalents and all of the Times Tables up to 12 x 12.

#### TIMES TABLE TEST

This term we will be participating in the Year 4 National Times Table Test. We have been practising very hard this year and it is important that every child practices their times tables regularly such as using the Timestable Rockstars on a digital device.

#### Target Books

Target Books will continue with the same system. These are usually individually tailored Numeracy and Literacy tasks to help your child reach the expected standard in Year Four. These books should be kept in your child's book/ school bag so that they are always available at school and at home. Please ensure that the Target books are handed in no later than the Thursday of the following week.

- In the front of the book you will find their maths targets
- At the back of the book are their literacy targets

At school there will be 'Target Time' sessions where your child can work on their current targets. During these sessions we will look at their progress and identify the next steps in their learning.

You can help support your child with their learning by:

- Working with them on their targets
- Adding extra tasks e.g. a couple more calculations or sentences
- Writing a note to the teacher explaining your child's understanding or any difficulties

If your child does not have time to complete their 'Target Tasks' then they may do this in the morning before school starts at 8:40 am. Please ensure that these books are at school EVERY DAY.

There will be a Brain Train maths homework task which will be found in the back of the Target book. This consists of basic questions that cover most of the key objectives in Year 4 Maths.

P.E

Please ensure that your child comes to school wearing the correct P.E uniform and footwear. This Summer Term we will have coaches on a Monday teaching Tennis and Mr Tran will introducing a new PE program called 'REAL PE' on a Wednesday

Yours sincerely

Mr Tran