

Welcome from everyone in Class 4!



A Message from us all at Flushdyke...

Firstly, we'd like to extend a big welcome back to all of our children and parents. We are delighted to have all of the children back for the start of a new and exciting school year for us all in Class Four!

We hope that this welcome newsletter provides you with some useful information about your child's class. Even if your child is still in the same class this year, we have made changes to the timetable and our routines so it's important to read on regardless. We hope you find this information useful and we look forward to seeing you tomorrow!

Spellings: Every Monday, your child will be coming home with new spellings which will be stuck in their spelling book. Please encourage your child to read, say and learn how to spell these words. Your child will need to bring this book to school every day. During the week, in school, your child will be learning about the spelling pattern for the week and practising spelling the words through 'Look, Say, Cover, Write, Check' lessons. These lessons are designed to give your child opportunities to work on their spellings at school as well as at home. On a Friday, your child will be tested on these spellings to see how well they have learned them during the week. On top of this, we will ask them to spell 1/2 words from the previous week(s) to check whether they have remembered how to spell them. It's a good idea for your child to regularly look back at these.

PE days: Your child will need to arrive at school in their full outdoor kit with them for our outdoor PE lessons on a Thursday.

Swimming - They will also need to bring their swimming kit with them on a Monday, including a towel. Swimming will be commencing on 8th September 2025. Swimming will run for the full autumn term.

Reading: In year 5 and 6, the importance of your child being a confident, fluent reader is key to their success in school. By the end of your child's second week, they will bring home their new reading book. For the majority of children, this will be a book which they have chosen - one which interests, excites and challenges them. They will choose this book from our class library which is a selection of age-appropriate fiction and non-fiction books.

Children can change their reading books as regularly as they like once they have read the book at home. With the level of challenge and length of books your child will be reading, we wouldn't expect them to be changing their book more than once a week. Time will be given during the week for your child to do this. As reading continues to be so important, children should be reading for at least 15-20 minutes a night. Please encourage your child to do this as developing their reading confidence and fluency is crucial for the year ahead and beyond.

Homework: Your child will receive homework every week. This homework will be given out on a Friday and will need to be handed back in the following Wednesday. Please encourage your child to keep their lovely new homework book neat, tidy and in good condition. Homework will commence on Friday 12th September 2025.

If there are any questions about homework, please don't hesitate to speak to me.

If you have any questions or you require any further information about your child's weekly routine in school, please don't hesitate to ask. Thank you from Mr Lowe and the Class 4 Team.