



Year Four

Term 3  
2024



# Newsletter

Welcome back! We hope you are all well and had a lovely Christmas and New Year. This term is always a busy one as it is fairly short with lots to pack in.

We are moving tables and children around this term. We have decided that the children will have 'home places' where they sit in all other lessons apart from English and Maths. This can still change in some lessons where we are doing partner or group work but will remain relatively the same. The children will have different places for English and Maths. The seating plan for the class is a little more complex than you may think! There are a range of needs and considerations that have been taken into account when placing the children and ensuring all are supported as required.

We would like to welcome two new adults to our class team this term; Mrs Dawkins and Miss Martin, are joining us. We are very lucky to be having extra support for the children to help them with their learning and emotional well being.

As always, if you have any concerns, questions or would like to chat to one of us we have an open door policy before or after school.  
The Year 4 Team

## Important Dates:

### End of Term 3:

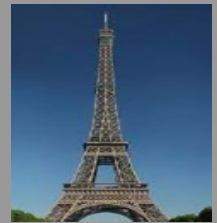
Friday 9th  
February

### Start of Term 4:

Monday 19th  
February

## MFL

Ravens will be continue to learn basic phrases in French, both spoken and in written forms.



The school theme for this term is

## 'MAPS'

Year 4 will begin by recapping their Geography learning from previous years, such as identifying basic compass points and describing features within an environment as either human or physical. They will build on this knowledge and extend their ability to describe direction by using the 8 point compass and learning about what these points are called. Ravens will also have the opportunity to study a range of Ordnance Survey maps, identifying map symbols and locating information by using 4-figure grid references. Finally, we will use a range of sources to explore land use in and around the Ashford area, comparing similarities and differences and suggesting reasons for the uses that we find.

**Ravens will have PE on Fridays. Please remember to send your child into school in their PE kit. Please remove earrings as we are not allowed to tape over them or remove them.**

## Emotional wellbeing

**It is very important that your child is happy in school. We aim to make lessons as fun as possible and have an inclusive, respectful and friendly environment.**

## Water Bottles

**Please make sure a named water bottle comes to school each day with your child and that only water is sent in in these bottles.**

## Class Contract

We have all agreed upon and signed a class contract in Ravens class. We will all try hard to honor this.

- Be an amazing listener
- Be respectful of everyone and everything
- Be kind, caring and supportive
- Be courageous!
- Always try our best in everything we do

## Home Learning & Reading

Home learning will continue to be set on Thursday via Family Announcements on Seesaw. Written tasks should continue to be recorded in their orange homework books and all homework needs to be completed and returned to school by Tuesday of the following week so that it can be marked by an adult.

Children will continue to can bring their AR books home each night to read. These must be brought into school daily so the children can quiz on the book they have read and change it on a set day. We only have 2 allocated AR sessions a week in class so children need to be supporting this by reading at home in order to be on track to meet their points targets.

Spellings will continue to be set on Spelling Shed and children have access to the Year 1 and 2, as well as Year 3 and 4 common exception words through this platform.

We have set up a display in our classroom to track children's involvement with Doodle Tables. All children should now have mastered their 2,5 and 10x tables on Doodle Tables, if not, please practice these over half term. We would then ask that you work on your 3,4,9 and 11x tables—these are the facts needed for the next maths badge!