

ST MARGARET CLITHEROW ROMAN CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Carers,

It is a pleasure to welcome you and your children back to school and I am pleased to say that the children are settling in very well.

This year Mrs Collins will be working with us in class on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays, and on Wednesday afternoons, Ms Coleman will be teaching Year Four while I am teaching Music in KS1.

In Year Four, children will need the following equipment: **a water bottle and a pencil case, which should include a black pen (not a biro), a writing pencil and colouring pencils as well as an eraser and pencil sharpener.**

We always appreciate your support at home. The information below explains what homework will look like in Year 4.

Reading – Developing a love of reading is the best way to become an excellent reader and we ask that you spend ten minutes each day listening to your child read, as well as discussing what they are reading. As children are now fluent word readers, comprehension is the key focus for their learning in reading and it will support their learning greatly to discuss their reading with an adult. You may wish to use the questions in their Reading Record books as a starting point for discussion.

Maths and English - A task will be set each Friday and should be returned the following Friday so that we can mark it together.

Spellings - Children will receive a spelling book with this term's spellings. They can practise their spellings in the booklet or on the Spelling Shed website and they will be tested on each week's spellings on a Friday. Instructions for logging in have been glued into the children's reading diaries.

Multiplication tables – We learn about multiplication every day in class, and by the end of Year 4, children are expected to be able to recall their 1-12 times tables fluently. Children can practise these on the TT Rock Stars website or app. You will find log in details in the front of their reading diaries.

If you have any concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me. I can speak to you outside after school after all the children have been dismissed, or you can make an appointment for a phone call via the school office. I am looking forward to working with you this year and thank you in anticipation of your support as we look forward to another busy and exciting term.

Mrs E Newham
Year Four Class Teacher