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Dear Parents and Carers,

### **Class 4 - Summer Term 2026**

Welcome back! I hope you and your families had a restful and enjoyable Easter holiday. We had a fantastic Spring Term learning all about Space. I hope your children are raring to get going for another important term - the Class 4 team certainly are!

Our new topic for the Summer Term is The Roman Empire and its impact on Britain, which will encompass learning about both history and geography. More information about our plans for the term, for all areas of the curriculum, can be found on the school website. If you have any areas of expertise linked to our topic, we would be very pleased to hear from you. Please also keep an eye on Google Classroom to see what amazing activities Class 4 gets up to.

### **Google Classroom / Homework**

We will continue to use Google Classroom to support learning as and when appropriate in class, as well as using it to set homework. Homework is normally set on Fridays, and should be turned in by the following Wednesday. Two or three pieces of homework will usually be set (with the focus alternating between English/ Maths/ Science/ Foundation Subjects). It should take around one to two hours to complete, alongside 15-20 minutes of daily reading and regular practice of times tables and target spellings. Remember to keep using SpellingFrame and Times Tables Rock Stars at home to sharpen those skills.

We will continue to use Padlet from time to time to record our thoughts about our reading. Do remember that there are many opportunities to support your child's reading - see [here](#) for some suggestions on how you can support them. Each child can choose a book from the class library to read and take home. It is very important that the children read as widely as possible, including a variety of fiction and non-fiction genres. [This website](#) is very useful in suggesting additional books your child might like, based on books or series that they've already enjoyed reading.



The weekly Special Person card will also be completed via Google Classroom - it is usually posted on a Thursday, to be completed at home by the end of the following Monday.

### **Class 4 PE Days / Timetable**

For the first half term, Class 4 will continue to have PE on Tuesday afternoon (usually cricket) and Wednesday afternoon (usually athletics). Children should come to school in PE kits on these days, including trainers. After half term, we hope to start swimming 2 or 3 times a week. For the first half term, Mrs Lungley will be teaching the children RE and PE on Tuesday afternoons. In the second half term, Mrs Lungley will teach Maths, RE, Reading and Spelling on Thursday mornings.

We will also be restarting our Forest School sessions at Abington Woods this term - the proposed dates are on the Curriculum Plan, but an email reminder will be sent out in advance of each session. As before, children will need old clothes that you don't mind getting dirty (long trousers and a long-sleeved top are essential even when the weather is warmer), trainers or walking boots (these are easier for climbing and playing than wellies) and a waterproof coat (and preferably also waterproof trousers). If anyone has time to volunteer with some of these sessions, we would be grateful for additional adult help.

As we aim to get the children outside throughout the week whatever the weather, it is also useful if they have a **spare pair of shoes** in school to avoid unnecessary mud in the classroom. We have a lovely storage unit to keep shoes tidy in the corridor! Your child can leave their spare shoes in school or bring them home each evening / Friday if you need them at home.

As the weather starts to get warmer, it is particularly important that the children have a **named, refillable water bottle** in school each day, along with a sunhat and suntan lotion for sunnier days. We will send their bottles home on Fridays for washing!

Please encourage your child to share any concerns with us during the school day, rather than going home with worries that could have been resolved that day. Please do contact the school office via email with any queries, and I shall get back to you as soon as possible.

Many thanks for your continued support. The first two terms have been wonderful and I'm looking forward to our Summer term journey together.

*H. Colchester*

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