



Year 4 Newsletter January 2018



TOPIC

This term our topic is called 'Animals Alert'. We will be learning all about the rainforest and the creatures that live in it. Through Science we will take a sneaky look at habitats before moving on to classification and branching data bases. Through art we will be looking at how to represent the colours and shapes in the rainforest through a technique called 'batik'.



Happy New Year

We hope you have all had a very happy and relaxed Christmas break.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

10th January	Open classrooms
31st January	The Power of Reading for Pleasure
5th February	'Bring your parents to school morning'
16th February	Break up
19th February	Half Term
2nd March	Disco
6th March	parents Evening
7th March	Parents Evening
8th March	Parents Evening
15th March	Class 9 Assembly and Family Meal



READING BOOKS

Please can we ask you to continue to encourage your child to read at home. Five minutes a day has a huge impact on their fluency. Helping your child to understand a text and look deeper into it is very important when reading. This can be done through questioning them about how they feel about what they have read as well as looking for evidence to back up ideas they might have. Journals are not compulsory but we do enjoy looking at them. Thank you for your support.

UNIFORM

Please can you ensure that all of your child's clothing is clearly named to reduce the number of lost property items.

HOMEWORK

Children will be asked to complete homework tasks as follows:

Maths: Daily as required

(this is to be handed in the following day)

English/Grammar: Monday (weekly)

Spelling: Friday (weekly)

Reading: 10 minutes daily

Weekly tests:

Spelling: Friday

Timetables: Wednesday



PE

PE slots will continue to be the same this term. One session will be based outdoors and the other session will be indoors. Please ensure that your child has the appropriate kit for these lessons.

Outdoor—white t-shirt, trainers and some tracksuit bottoms and a top

Indoor— White t-shirt, shorts and pumps
Our PE sessions are on a Tuesday and Wednesday

We had a lot of children without PE kits during the Autumn term so would really like to ask for your support in providing these. PE is an essential part of your child's education

E-SAFETY

If your child has had a new phone or tablet for Christmas remember to consider parental controls, internet filters etc. For advice and instructions on how to set up the most popular devices see the Internet Matters website.



*Please do not hesitate to speak to us if you have any questions.
We look forward to working with you to develop your child's learning.*

CAR PARK

To help keep all children safe, please do not park in our school car park—it is for **staff only**.



