Welcome to Year 4 2023-2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to the new school year! It has been wonderful to welcome all the pupils back to school. We have had a great start with the children and they have settled in well and have responded positively to the new routines.

Below you will find some key information for you. Please do not hesitate to get in touch if you have any queries. We are looking forward to having a fun and positive year.

<u>Staff</u>

Class Teachers: Mrs Roberts & Mrs Taylor Teaching Assistant: Mrs Liu

Procedures for Contacting Staff

Parent Request Form: if you wish to speak confidentially to a member of staff about your child, please fill out a form in the office (or online from our website).

All enquiries will be passed on to the appropriate member of staff and we aim to contact you within 7 days to discuss the issue or arrange a meeting if necessary.

<u>Class e-mail</u>: if you have any queries about the curriculum or need to send work in then please use the class e-mail which is **year4@standrews.barnetmail.net**

Pick up arrangements

Please ensure your child is aware who is picking them up each morning.

Written permission is required if another parent will be collecting your child. Please send this in on the morning in question.

Children, their Uniform and Equipment

We expect every child to be dressed in correct uniform, especially sensible black shoes. <u>Please note that jewellery and make up are not allowed.</u>

We would be grateful if you could ensure that your child has the following equipment in school: PE Kit, reading book, Pencil case – regularly checked and re-stocked.

Please check that labels are still present and readable on clothing items throughout the year.

<u>Spelling</u>

The children will be given a spelling journal which will stay at school. They will be taught strategies and patterns which will enable them to attempt to spell new words correctly in their daily writing. Please encourage your child to regularly practise the spelling patterns.

<u>Reading Records</u>

All children should read daily at home. Reading books can be changed when a book has beenread, re-read and understood.

Year 4 can change their books on a Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

Please make sure your child's reading book and reading record are in school each day of the week as there are opportunities to read with the adults throughout the week.

Reading is not a race, it should be enjoyed; questions and 'book talk' is crucial in ensuring our children have understood what they have read.

You can always supplement your child's school reading book with something else: magazines, comics, classic books, non-fiction books, kindles.

Our Values are reflected in our Healthy Lifestyle

Please help us in promoting a healthy lifestyle for your child. Bring in a piece of fruit for morning break and a labelled bottle of water.

We are a nut-free school. This is vital to safe-guard our children with allergies. Please check ALL labels of food that comes into school.

<u>P.E</u>

Our PE days this term will be Tuesday and Thursday. Please ensure that your child wears their PE kit to school on Thursdays, including trainers/plimsolls.

Please ensure your child brings their PE bag into school at the start of the week for PE on a Tuesday.

<u>Homework</u>

Homework will be set every Friday on Google Classroom and should be completed and turned in by the following Wednesday. Late homework will not be marked.

Safeguarding Children

The safety of your children whilst they are in our care is at the foremost of our minds. The school has procedures in place to make sure that your children are safe at all time. We ask all parents to enter the school via the **main reception only.** Thank you.

If a child makes a declaration to a member of staff, concerning their safety, we will follow our school procedure and contact the appropriate agencies.

Thank you for your support. Mrs Roberts, Mrs Taylor & Mrs Liu