



Dear Parents and Carers of Year 4,

This is just a brief note to extend a very warm welcome to you all at the start of the new academic year in Zebras Class. We would like to share some of our routines and areas of learning for the coming weeks. We are really excited about the year ahead and look forward to working with you in the education of your child.

Miss Mann will be teaching Zebras Mondays to Wednesdays.
Mrs McDonald will be teaching Thursdays and Fridays.

Curriculum:

Our Maths plan will continue to follow the White Rose program and our English will be based on set pieces of literature. This term we will be reading two class books: 'The Iron Man' by Ted Hughes; and 'The Firework-Maker's Daughter' by Philip Pullman. More information on what your child will be taught over the year can be found on the Warden House website: [Warden House Primary School - Year 4 \(warden-house.kent.sch.uk\)](http://www.warden-house.kent.sch.uk)

P.E:

For P.E., your child will need a Warden House Team T-shirt & navy or black shorts, Trainers & navy or black tracksuit or similar for cold weather.

Our P.E. days are:

MONDAY - Indoor PE

THURSDAY - Outdoor Games

Homework:

Our homework will consist of daily reading, weekly spelling (sent home on Friday and tested on the following Friday) and a weekly times table practice – the times table of the week will be written at the top of the spelling sheet sent home with your child.

Please support your child with their reading each day and ensure that their reading record is signed and dated each time. This is important as it enables us to monitor your child's reading and ensure they are making progress. Even more able readers benefit from reading aloud to an adult from time to time as this helps really develop their understanding of punctuation and meaning.

Multiplication Check:

In Year 4, the children will sit a government multiplication check in June that will test their rapid recall of all of their times tables up to 12 x 12. Your support in practicing these at home would be gratefully appreciated. There are many websites to support this, including; Hit the Button, Timetable Rockstars and UrBrainy. These are all great websites that we encourage all children to use, to develop their multiplication knowledge.

Just a Reminder:

Please provide a named water bottle for your child everyday (especially in this warmer weather) and ensure that all loose clothing and personal belongings are clearly labelled. Please also provide a fruit snack for your child for break time.

We look forward to getting to know you all in the days and weeks ahead and to working with you and your child throughout the year. We hope the students will have lots of irresistible new learning to share with you in the months ahead!

We wish your child every success in Year 4. Please don't hesitate to contact us if you ever have any queries or concerns.

Warmest Regards,
Miss Mann and Mrs McDonald

