

# Welcome Back!

We hope you have all had a lovely Christmas and New Year! The Lower Key Stage Two (LKS2) team are looking forward to another exciting term!

The year 3 team is Mr Price and Mrs Chamberlain.

The year 4 team is Mrs Taylor and Mrs Gath-Walker.



## The School Day

School opens at 8.50 am and lessons start promptly at 9am. Please ensure that your child is on time, as their early morning activities are part of the curriculum.

Your child's class teacher will meet and greet the children as they come into the classroom. A member of the LKS2 team will be available at the doors should you have any urgent messages to pass onto any member of staff. Alternatively, you could contact the school office if you would like to arrange a telephone conversation or appointment with your child's class teacher.

## Reading

Your child will be bringing their reading book and diary home every night. Please ensure that they read and discuss their book with you **at least 5 times a week**. This should initially be a school reading book, but should also extend to a range of texts your child/children are reading for pleasure. In the children's reading diaries, there is a word list. This is a list of words which the children need to be able to spell by the end of year 4. There is also a copy of times table facts for children to practice at home!



## Homework

The children will have a weekly **spelling** test on words and rules they have been learning and practising in school. **Please** help your child to learn their spellings at home. Children will be tested and given new spellings every Monday. Children will continue to be allocated maths tasks on **Abacus** linked to their learning - this will help them to practise their mental arithmetic and consolidate learning in school. The new **homework challenges** will be sent home this week. Completing the tasks will help your child to consolidate their learning through a range of enjoyable and educational activities. The children have their own **Timestable Rockstars** login. By the end of LKS2, all children need to know all times table facts up to 12x12. Please encourage your child to use Timestable Rockstars as often as possible.

## Outdoor Activities and PE

Year 4 will have Forest Schools every Friday afternoon until half term. Please remember to send your child with clothing for every weather eventuality - waterproofs, layers and wellies. We will be outside in all weather. The year 3 children will have PE on a Tuesday and Wednesday afternoon.

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## Marvellous Me



We love to send messages home to keep you updated about the great things your child/children do in school. Please make sure that you are signed up to Marvellous Me and don't forget to 'High 5' us.

If you have any further questions, please talk to any member of staff on the playground or call to make an appointment.

The LKS2 Team