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Welcome to Year 4

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to Year 4! We hope you have all had an enjoyable summer break! We are looking forward to teaching your child this year. Please read the information below carefully so that you can support your child and help settle them into our class routines. You will also be able to find further information, such as timetables and curriculum overviews on our class page, so please keep a lookout for updates and photos of your child's learning journey.

Summer holiday activities

A huge thank you for supporting your child with their Jigsaw puzzle piece and Sound posters during the holidays. We have been blown away with the amount we have received this morning. If you haven't completed your summer activities, please aim to hand them in by the end of this week.

Please see our curriculum overview for the first half term below.

English: Writing to entertain (Diary)	Maths: Place Value: Number, Addition and Subtraction	PE: Fundamentals & Ball Skills
Science: Sound	Art: Light	French: My local area
Geography: Rivers	History: Ancient Egyptians and The Tudors	Religious Education: What kind of world did Jesus want? (Gospel)

PE Days

PE will be on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Please remember to send your child to school wearing their **PE uniform** on these days. For health and safety reasons, earrings **must** be removed.

Spelling Tests

A weekly spelling test will be administered each week on a Tuesday. Please ensure your child practices their spellings and brings their spelling book in on the correct day. **Our first test will commence on Tuesday 3rd September.**

Reading

Please aim to listen to your child read at least 3 times per week and sign their reading diary. Children will also visit the school Library.

Times tables

Times tables are a huge focus in Year 4. Each week we will focus on a set times table which your child will learn through activities, games and songs. We will also set challenges on TTRS. In addition to a weekly spelling test, your child will also have a weekly times table test to revise and complete. Over the years, this approach has proven to support students in preparation with multiplication and division during Maths learning and when completing their Multiplication Check in the summer term. We will have times tables tests every Thursday. **Our first test will commence on Thursday 5th September.**

Homework

Weekly homework tasks consist of spellings, times tables and daily reading. Additional homework activities will be set each Thursday on the Atom learning platform, with effect from **Thursday 5th September.**

Educational experiences

We are thrilled to share that Year 4 already have some educational experiences planned! Our first educational experience will be on **Wednesday 16th October 2024** to Bradgate House in Bradgate Park. In the Spring term, Year 4 will also experience an overnight stay at Beaumanor Hall. We will send you separate letters regarding further information.

Parental involvement

At St Luke's we aim to work in partnership with our families. In the Autumn term, we would love for you to support your children by watching their Remembrance Day assembly as well as participate in our annual Christingle workshop to the run up of Christmas. More details to follow.

As always, if you have any worries, concerns, or questions, we are happy to talk to you after school. Alternatively, telephone appointments can be requested via the office.

Kind regards,
Mrs Greer & Mrs Mitchell
Class Teachers