



# Newbold Verdon Primary School

Summer term: Year 4

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to school, we hope you had a lovely Easter break. We have an exciting rest of the year ahead planned with activities to support your child's learning and progress.

**Enrichment activities-** Each term as part of the curriculum, your child will participate in Forest School with Mrs North and Art/DT lessons with Ms Hicks. Your child will be taking part in both sessions of this day. Therefore, your child will always need to bring in their Forest School clothing for that day (old clothing suitable for outdoor learning, wellington boots, waterproofs). Please ensure Forest School clothing is clearly named.

Our sessions are on a Tuesday on the following dates:

April - 9<sup>th</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup>

May - 7<sup>h</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>

June - 11<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>

July- 9<sup>th</sup>

Here are a few reminders of how you can support your child during Year 4:

**Starting time-** our school doors open at 8:40am and lessons start promptly at 8:50am. This means that your child can benefit from 10 minutes of additional reading each day. Please make sure that your child arrives on time to make the most of their learning experience.

**PE Kit** - Please make sure that your child has a named PE kit in school every day during the school year. There may be times when the timetable needs to alter slightly or other opportunities arise for exercise. PE kit consists of a white t-shirt and black/navy shorts or joggers. We have PE on a **Monday** and **Wednesday**.

**Multiplication Tables Check** - This is an on-screen check consisting of 25 times tables questions with 6 seconds to answer each question. There will be 3 practice questions before the actual check. Your child will complete the check between **Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June** and **Friday 14<sup>th</sup> June**.

**School uniforms** should be worn at all times. This includes black or grey trousers/skirt/shorts and a white or blue polo shirt. In addition, a royal blue sweatshirt or cardigan can be worn and shoes should be black. These should be named. No jewellery other than watches and ear studs should be worn.

**Water bottles** - All children should bring a named water bottle every day. We ask children to take their water bottles home every night and bring them the next morning. This will ensure they are regularly cleaned.

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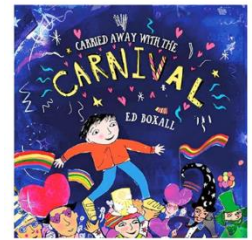
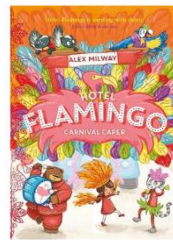


**Homework** will be sent home and collected every Friday. Your support with this homework is greatly appreciated. The homework will consist of one grammar sheet and one maths sheet. There may also be times when times tables homework is set as the children will be taking the Government MTC (Multiplication Tables Check) in the Summer term. Helping your child to memorise all times tables (x2 through to x12) is a really helpful and useful for their continued development in maths and this will help give them a real boost going forward into Year 5 and 6.

**Reading diaries** will be checked every Friday to ensure that children who read at least 5 times a week to get their rewards. This can be done independently, if your child writes in their diary every time they read, now they are getting older, you can just sign their diary after checking it. I know that children often read independently as they get older and it would be a shame for them to miss out on their extra Dragon points and break.

#### English:

Hotel Flamingo Carnival Caper- Alex Milway  
Nina and the magical carnival - Madzvi Ramani  
Carried away with the carnival - Ed Boxall  
Portal story  
Formal letter writing  
Poetry  
Grammar, punctuation and spelling throughout



#### Maths:

Numicon School Scheme:  
Fractions and decimals  
Calculating (adding and subtracting, multiplying and dividing) with a focus on all times tables (to 12 x 12) for the Multiplication Tables Check next June

#### Science:

Sound  
Electricity

#### Geography:

Rio de Janeiro and South-East Brazil

#### History:

British Empire

#### Art/Design Technology

Craft and design: fabric and nature  
Electrical systems: torches

#### PSHE:

Being my best  
Growing and changing

#### Music:

Ukuleles with the Leicestershire  
Music Service

#### Computing:

Photo editing  
Repetition in games

#### Physical Education:

Outdoor Adventure Activities (OAA)  
Rounders  
Athletics

#### Religious Education:

For Christians, when Jesus left, what was the impact of the Pentecost?  
How and why do people mark the significant events of life?

Please feel free to contact me through the school office with any queries or concerns.

Yours sincerely,

Miss Wood - Year 4 Class Teacher