



# **Year 4 Welcome Meeting**

**2025 - 2026**

## Staff in Year 4

### Derwent- Mrs Ferguson

Mrs Davies

Miss Webster

### Foss- Miss Cooke

Mrs Williams

Miss Baxter

Morning Booster - Miss McTasney

# Uniform

- School jumper/cardigan, shirt/polo shirt/trousers/skirt/summer dress
- Ties
- Black school shoes (see guidance on school website)
- Coat (also needed on every swimming day)
- Long hair tied back
- Hair bobbles/accessories- not too fancy/big
- No nail varnish
- Long hair should be tied back
- Jewellery- only stud earrings (removed for swimming)
- **Names on all items.**

# Uniform



**Acceptable  
shoes**



**Unacceptable  
shoes**



# P.E & Outdoor Learning

- Bring in Monday & taken home on Friday- useful to have as an extra pair of clothes in case of slips/ spillages.
- Swimming around October time. Children need the same kit just like in Y3- lycra shorts for boys and full-piece bathing suits for girls. No earrings. Hair tied back.
- Indoor kits (Monday) - team coloured t-shirt, black shorts, pumps/ trainers
- Outdoor (Wednesday)– team coloured t-shirt, shorts/ tracksuit bottoms, jumper, trainers
- Remove earrings for P.E days or cover with plasters provided from home
- Outdoor Learning
- Separate waterproof coat, wellies/ walking shoes, t-shirt, jumper and waterproof trousers and coat

# Healthy Eating

- We are a 'healthy eating' school
- Water in classroom water bottles and not juice
- Snacks or pack lunches provided from home should be healthy (no chocolate bars)
- Check the ingredients of some snacks as they can be deceiving (some have lots of sugar!)
- Nut free school- please check snack ingredients, no nutella/ almonds etc

# Reading

- Recommended at least 10 minutes every evening (home school book or reading for pleasure book).
- Questioning to develop comprehension skills- book-band bookmarks will help to guide you on the questions to ask and things to discuss.
- Reading books are changed throughout the week on Monday, Wednesday and Friday.
- New Paper Diaries- please log reads at home. In school, children can log their own reads.
- Big push on reading for pleasure this year with our Year 4 Reading Challenge



# Reading



Books for Year 4 children aged 8-9 | School Reading List



# Homework

- Homework books and spelling sheets given out every Friday. Expected back each Thursday.
- Multiple choice grid- children to choose at least 5 out of 9 activities to complete each half term. **All** children are expected to complete the homework at their level. We would prefer children to have a go rather than not complete any. This helps to prepare them for high school.
- Daily reading- please log reads
- Practise times tables regularly, ready for Multiplication Times Table Check in June. Every child will sit this.
- Practice on TTRS or counting games. Please ask your child's teacher for more support with this if needed.

# Behaviour

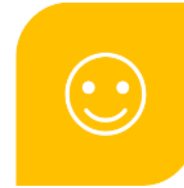
## Our Rules:



BE READY



BE SAFE



BE RESPECTFUL

## Looks like this:



# Behaviour

## Our rewards

<b>Excellent Work</b>	1 Dojo
<b>Acts of Kindness</b>	1 Dojo
<b>Homework completion</b>	1 Dojo
<b>Pleasing classroom contributions</b>	1 Dojo
<b>Regular Reading</b>	2 Dojos
<b>Outstanding effort with handwriting</b>	2 Dojos
<b>Deputy Headteacher's Award</b>	3 Dojos
<b>Headteacher's Award</b>	5 Dojos
<b>Gold Headteacher's Award</b>	10 Dojos

Instead of a class winning the title of "Most Dojos" or individuals competing against one another for the most Dojos, this year, each class will set themselves an ambitious **target for the week** to work towards collectively. If they achieve it the class will receive a reward. This could be an extra playtime, blowing bubbles, watching a short cartoon, playing a game, colouring and drawing time, board games, dancing to some music- whatever the class vote for- within reason!

## Behaviour: Our rewards



- The title of being a **High Street Hero** will replace the merit badge. Special stickers will be given out at the end of each week in class. There may be more than one child who achieves the title each week. A child could also win in consecutive weeks.
- If a child achieves 5 High Street Hero awards in a term, they will visit Mr Joule for a reward.

# Behaviour: Consequences

- Reminder - Verbal Warning - Time out – Reflection.
- An SLT member will lead reflection in the conference room. The children will attend reflection around their normal lunch time slot.
- Parents will be informed at the end of the day if their child has been to reflection, either by a conversation or a Dojo message.
- If a child attends reflection 3 times within a half term, a meeting between pupil, class teacher and headteacher will be held.
- If negative behaviour continues, there will be another meeting with parents.





# Multiplication Tests

- Y4 children are now tested on their multiplication skills in the summer term. They will sit a test where they will answer 25 randomly generated times table questions which require answering in 6 seconds.
- By the end of the year, children should be able to recall all times tables up to  $12 \times 12$
- We will work on multiplication skills during lessons, however children also need to practice their times tables at home.
- We encourage children to use Times Table Rock Stars or Hit the Button to practise their times tables.
- Useful sites: U R Brainy, TTRS, Hit the Button

# Communication

- ◉ [year4@highstreet.cheshire.sch.uk](mailto:year4@highstreet.cheshire.sch.uk)
- ◉ Dojo
- ◉ Weekly information will be on the weekly '**Dojo Roundup**' Each Friday (homework, kit timetable, weekly run down etc)
- ◉ School Website: Curriculum overviews and knowledge organisers detailing what we will be learning about in each half term

# Year 4 Residential (York)

- York (two nights)
- Links to our Vikings unit (depending on availability, we typically visit places such as the Jorvik Centre & Dig, Yorkshire Museum, the Shambles, York Minster and the National Railway Museum)
- An information meeting about our residential visit will be arranged nearer to the time to discuss further details.
- Last year the residential was £ 185 / £130
- Split over 4 payments with non-refundable deposit

# Pupil Premium/ FSM

- The pupil premium is a grant given by the government to schools in England, this would then follow your child as they go through to secondary school, until they leave.
- Subsidised costs for trips/residential visits and clubs.
- Please follow the link to apply for FSM online: <https://www.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk/residents/education-and-learning/school-meals.aspx> . There is an 'apply' button to press on the website and there's also information on who is eligible
- Here is the number to call if you would rather apply via phone: **0300 123 7039**
- Any child new to our school, please follow the link above to update CWAC with your new details.

# Any questions?

- ▶ If you have any concerns, please feel free to speak to us at any time, before and after school.
- ▶ Dojo is a good way to send in photos of homework or for a quick message
- ▶ Email us at [year4@highstreet.cheshire.sch.uk](mailto:year4@highstreet.cheshire.sch.uk)