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Dear Parents/Carers and Children,

Welcome back to a new school year and also into Year 4. It has been so lovely to all be back together again and I am so proud of everyone for being such superstars for settling back into our routines so well. The children have all just slotted quickly back into our familiar classroom and have coped fantastically with the changes we have needed to make during these times. We are even managing to get 30 sets of hands (well more with the adults) washed frequently and the children are taking this seriously, so thank you everybody. \bigcirc

I thought I would just put a little information together about our learning over the Autumn term. I plan to keep things working in much the same way as we did together in Year 3, as these routines are familiar.

Reading

Reading will continue as the children are used to in Year 3, using the Accelerated Reader scheme. The children all have a number (called a ZPD) and they need to choose books which fit their ZPD level. I have written these levels in the children's yellow reading logs.

The children will continue to bring a book home to read and as we did last year, please fill in the yellow reading log with what has been read at home. Reading also forms part of homework, so please try to aim for five sessions a week. Please bring the yellow reading log and book to school daily - we will keep these in bags and get them out only as needed. The children will also have a different book on their desks at school for reading sessions in school.

When a book has been read, the children then complete an online quiz about the book in school the next day. The website: <u>www.arbookfind.co.uk</u> is great for checking or finding books at the correct level. I'm more than happy for children to read their own books from home or even books they get out of the town library if these fit their level. All school books will be going into 'quarantine' before going back on the shelf.

Pencil Cases

Thank you for all the pencil cases and equipment – it is great to see all the children ready with all the resources they need for their learning. If we can minimise taking these back and forth daily by leaving these in school overnight, I feel this would be better and this would also mean that they wouldn't be forgotten. However, if a pencil case does need to be taken back home for homework I do understand.

<u>P.E.</u>

Our P.E. days are usually on Wednesdays (with Mr Brown) and this term, rather than having PE on two separate days, we will have a 'double' session on a Wednesday. However, there are times when we need to change our PE sessions to another day so please ensure all kits are kept in school every day. Outdoor lessons are so weather dependent, that we would like to be as flexible as we can with these. The children may get a little wet, so a full change of PE clothes are a must for this lesson. A full PE kit, including plimsolls or trainers is needed. If



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any kits are taken home to be washed at the end of the week, please can they be back in school on the Monday. Many thanks for your help with this. Hopefully we will be able to get outside as much as possible this term.

Homework

Homework will be set on a Friday, but this year, please bring books in by Tuesday as we need time to quarantine these before being set out again on Friday. The children will be given the first homework task on Friday 18th September. At the front of their homework books, I will include some more details about homework.

As always, if there are any queries, please contact me.

Kind regards

Mrs Jones

