



PUTTING THE FUN BACK
INTO LEARNING!

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Welcome to term three. We hope that you all had a wonderful holiday and that children are feeling refreshed and ready to work hard during this term. Term 3 is a very important time of the school year as it is when all of the remaining curriculum will be taught. Please ensure children are in school on time and when possible have full attendance to avoid missing any important learning.

Please be advised that there have been some movements for a small number students in Math and English classes to reflect their current needs based on progress made so far. Please contact your child's homeroom teacher if you have any queries or questions regarding this.

Please continue to use email to contact any of the Grade 4 teachers regarding queries or concerns. Emails are listed below.

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Curriculum

English – We will be focusing on grammar and punctuation, learning how to identify and use adverbs, adverbial phrases and fronted adverbials in our writing. We will be using this knowledge to help us in our upcoming topic of creative story writing when we will focus on how to plan, draft, edit and publish our own creative stories.

Maths – In maths we will be focusing on geometry, learning how to read and plot co-ordinates, how to reflect shapes on a quadrant grid and how to use positional language to describe translations of shapes within a quadrant grid.

We will continue with weekly mental maths and times table tests in class. Please support your child at home by helping them to practise their times tables each week.

Science – In Science, we will be continuing with our topic called 'Properties and changes to materials'. We will be learning lots of new vocabulary in this topic which will help us to describe and

group the different materials which we will be focusing on. We will be learning about man-made and natural materials and exploring the differences between them.

In topic we will be continuing with our topic of Europe. We will be learning the capital cities of European countries as well as identifying European countries on a world map. We will be investigating the physical features of several European countries and comparing them to the UAE.

Bug Club

Please continue to encourage your child to read to you each night to further improve their reading fluency and comprehension skills. The website for bug club is www.activelearn.co.uk . If your child has misplaced their username or password please email the homeroom teacher. Reading is a vital part of your child's education. All of the books on bug club contain reading comprehension questions which your child should answer as they read.

Stationery

Please ensure your child has a complete set of stationery ready for the start of term three. Stationery should be labelled clearly with your child's name and class.

Healthy lunchboxes

Grade 4 teachers have noticed a big improvement in children bringing healthier options into school. Please ensure your child has a water bottle in school which they can refill throughout the day.

Toys

Please be reminded that 'spinning top' toys are not allowed in school due to health and safety reasons. Please do not allow children to bring the spinning toys into school.

Kind regards,

The Grade 4 teachers.